

Montreal ^{W.D.}
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My dear Father

I just write a few lines before leaving to let you know what I have arranged. I have seen M^r: Peterson, but he is unable at present to give me anything definite in the way of an appointment. He advises me to go on the Line however, & I have decided to do so. I may perhaps be able to arrange for some

remuneration, but whether I do or not I will, I hope, gain the main objects of my trip, & perhaps be able to see and learn more that is useful than if I apparently succeeded a better.

Hamilton tells me that your boxes have arrived & are now in the Laboratory. I am going to get an outfit in the way of boots umbrella & water-proof before leaving — at least if I can succeed in doing so satisfactorily.

I find it quite comfortable

I up here, & fare well at the
main Hamilton. I have seen Chan-
dler & Lufkin & given them
your notes. Chandler seems
to think the place might be
a good one. I suppose when
he makes up his mind he
will write to you.

The weather is pleasant
now, ~~although~~ not too
warm.

I will mail you one of the
Addresses you spoke of before I
leave, as I cannot myself
make out the name of the
street in Paris. I will keep
your menu: in case of your

not having kept his letter,
I intend to leave tomorrow
morning by the 7th Train for
Lachine and on by boat.

There is nothing more that
I think of at present. I believe
I have you over all your com-
missions.

With love to all, believe

me

Yours affectionately

William.