

THE RIDEAU CLUB,
OTTAWA.

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My dear Father,

I was very pleased to receive your kind note today & to observe its various points of interest raised in it. It is very fortunate that Rankine has been able to be with you for some time & that he should have arrived at Metis at a particularly appropriate moment. I am hoping to see him here before long & to hear

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be able to talk over matters
 of common interest with
 him, though sorry to hear
 that he is already booked to
 return to England so soon.
 We are doing fairly well I think
 in Geological Survey matters &
 I am hopeful that we may get our
 new building provided for next
 session without fail. We already
 have all plans prepared in
 outline & a suitable site
 provisionally selected for the

work.

Preparations for the Paris
Exhibition are taking up a
good deal of my time at present,
with various troubles in connection,
but I hope that something will come
out right in the end. The space is
very limited, unfortunately, & the
several provinces each of them
want all of it, so that there are
various questions to settle.

The work in Hastings County seems
to be clearing up various points
previously in doubt & it may
be necessary to recast some of

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our former ideas; but
I do not speak of this as
yet with certainty.

Sars

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