

Letter George Dawson  
to his mother

"18 July 1874"

should really be

1875 (July)

according to

Brian Reeves

R.M., Dec 1983

Mrs. Jell Collyer July 18. 74.

My dear Mother,

Thanks for your  
note received yesterday. We  
were all so glad to hear  
of your continued recovery &  
progress toward strength again.  
I should have written before but  
have been so very busy & others  
have told the news  
We do not know whether you  
recieve any letters from William

last week. We had a scrap  
which was forwarded to you,  
but if this is all he wrote  
he certainly has not favoured  
us with much of his experience  
in London — or elsewhere.

I hope to leave tomorrow  
braving & just write a note  
by way of saying good bye.  
I shall let you hear from me  
as often as possible, & hope  
the intervals may not be long  
till it get far up the Fraser

River, at least.

I had a satisfactory interview  
with Major Cameron the other  
evening, meeting him at the  
Station. He has gone down to  
St Andrews New Brunswick  
for a time. I am sending  
him a complete copy of the  
Report, but not of the appendix  
matter, tomorrow.

Town is quite deserted now  
& one may walk all day long  
the streets & never meet anyone  
one knows, unless they are  
business people of the habits.

It is no good telling news  
as Father & Anna will take  
this, I can answer all  
questions.

So once more good bye

I believe me

Your loving son

Jerry

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