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My dear Mother,

We had a very
tiresome journey to Montreal,
the train being nearly an
hour late to begin with &
getting later & later till we
finally reached Montreal
between 1 & 2 o'clock. Am. There
there was a scarcity of Cabs, &
but for the good offices of a
policeman at the station (with
a strong Irish accent) who
recognized Father & volunteered
the statement that if he could not

find a driver he would
drive him up himself, we
might have been a long time in
getting home. As it was we
did not get there till 3 am.
Father found it necessary to
turn various closets & explore the
premises generally before turning
in. He decided that breakfast
would do at 9 o'clock, but before
7 o'clock he wakened me up to
inform me that if I should
hear any noise it would
only be some men who
were engaged in repairing the
road. Mrs Carpenter turned
up yesterday morning, looking

understanding well offering to
order anything at the market.

I found I could not easily
get away before 4:45, as I
had to go & find two boxes
which had come on by the
Parisian, & so got here
at 9 P.M. last night, finding
everything all right.

The only accident which has
happened at the College consists
in the fall from its nail
of Mrs Bell's portrait, by
which the frame has been
somewhat broken. This was
in a way providential, for it-

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Reminded me of a request made
 by Mrs David Kemp that I
 should if possible find out the
 name of the artist who had
 painted the portrait in question.
 I looked all over the canvas, back
 & front, bottom, without finding
 any name, & think that there
 is no name whatever upon it.
 If you know the name I
 wish that you would write to
 Mrs Kemp about it. I promised
 to ask about it.

I wish that I had been able to
 stay longer at Metis, for I fear that
 I am not likely to find any place so
 pleasant & useful for a long time.
 For the next few days I trust that you
 will have a really quiet time
 George