

turned two short
 ones one far gray
 & one red Robinson
 steel the latter but
 William will for
 Ward there -
 Robinson's was very
 worth sending -
 you to papa
 I hope you will con-
 sider that I am
 sure it does you good
 send give some of
 it to your little
 brother - health is
 a great good
 with all love
 affectionately
 1880
 W. Williams
 Acc. 1443

but - I fear I shall take a
 great deal of shaking to make
 the place seem home-like
 without the children - I con-
 tinually fancy I hear their
 little talk or cry & listen to
 find it - is only the echo of some
 neighbor's family, or my own
 fancy -
 The journey was not so tire-
 ing as I expected. B. had
 got a whole section & after
 a comfortable tea at Clonsilla
 & a walk in the cool evening
 air, we had the lower berth
 made up with the two
 mattresses & pillows ad. lib.
 & it really was a most de-
 lightful nest to rest in, & I
 had quite a good sleep, &

reached home less tired than
when I left - met. We got in at
8 of 9 as Haukeine had assured
both William & Hamilton that
8 of 9 was over hawer, so our met
us & we had to raise it. To get
us our keys. Maggie gave
us a comfortable breakfast
about 8 of 9 - I as she heard
she & Flora intended to leave
early Tuesday morning, I
gave her a few directions
as to points she was doubt-
ful about, everything looks
very clean & she says she
has done almost all the
cleaning herself, as Flora was
so busy with cooking & wash-
ing, she sometimes had 15
shirts in a week to do up.
William will come to us
for breakfast & take a lunch
from here, for he seems to
have concluded an engage-
ment with Walter & family for
a month or two, to do sur-
veying for the tunnel scheme.
I do not will be either at Hoki-
kaka or Longueuil most days
and I reach of either either
or dinner in town, he thinks
his best plan is to drive a
Mrs. Grammes on his way up from

town at 6 P.M. so - But he
will know his plans better
in a few days - he said he
had written about the work
to paper, it seems an adven-
turous opening as far as I can
make acc^t.

I do not find the house in
as good order as I had ex-
pected from previous ex-
perience of Jan. - I indeed
Mary had found traces of
bugs in her bed so I have
written to press for Mrs. Scott
I must have a regular clean-
ing in that quarter. Another
trifling thing she has done
is to have locked the cup-
board door with a cork key
& wedged it in, both Mar-
garet & William have ex-
erted their skill upon it - I a
lock smith is to come up to-
day - I seem to anticipate
some trouble in getting the
place open without dan-
gering the door - I cannot
get sheets or various things
till the opening is effected.

I find the weather very
hot though I don't think
it is excessive by the thermometer.

Last night was cool enough
to sleep comfortably with
only a sheet as covering.
The flies seem abundant
I must be energetically dealt
with. We found quite
a number of raspberries
on our bushes of the red &
white varieties, I have had
one dish of them already
I expect several more. The
beans are almost ready -
I hear a few lingering goose
berries may reward a search
in yr garden - but I have
not been to see -

People seem the scarcest
of all productions of the coun-
try - Even old Mrs Baynes
has gone to Murray Bay
& Mr B - leaves tonight to
join her.

I have sent by this mail
the knitting supply to replace
Lizzie's lost one. I am sorry
I did not bring the blue
stockings with me it was the
such nice work for the
hannocks & lazy weather.
Dear ferns arrived without
a leaf being harmed & look
very pretty in their bark pots
The silk pockets you made for
me look very pretty, I will give

an arrangement to the room²
I intended to look be-
fore I left whether Eric's
thin summer merino shirt
was at Metis - I shall look
if it is here but cannot tell
Nursery is open - I think he
w^d. be better to wear it at
night, as his nightgown is
wearing thinner, & he tosses
his arms out at night - I
once or twice I have heard
him sneeze or give a little
cough. In the cooler morning
hours, a great deal depends
upon how well he is
tucked up at night - I al-
ways wrapped the quilt &
blankets well under the
mattress back & front, but
spoke to Lippi about that.

Children must suffer
very much in the West here
already. I find my face &
chest & itching with prickly
heat & I have certainly in-
dulged in no violent ex-
ercises - a Yankee who
seems to be scientific has
taken up most of B's morning

but no one else has received
and us of the outside world.
I think I will be able to
see to all useful arrange-
ments today. I posted a
note to Mrs. Garton last night
telling her to come up. I expect
I will write to Mrs. Vannoy
& Mrs. Fenwick presently.
When you see Mrs. D. Scott
please thank her for her kind
note wh. I got before leaving
& tell her I will attend to
her parcel.

If you hear of any one
going to N.Y. let us know
for the thing paper was
of to William seem too bulky
to go in any way but by a
friend - when is Willie's
path expected - Baby may or
will be some time ahead.

I hope the dear chickens
are good & that Lizzie will
rise to the occasion.

George left us very cheerful
& I hope will enjoy himself -
William looks well he has no
Sunday school at present &
spent yesterday afternoon by
on the grass under our trees
with the whole I relaxed in the
"hang-up" I read to them, he seems
cheerful too, & in spirits about this
Stanley work - even letter con-