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Harry is in London.

My Dear Anna

Many thanks for the delicious wafer sugar received through Harrington, & also for the accompanying letter. Harrington arrived in London last Thursday afternoon. I had a note from him the same evening telling me where he was to be found, & asking if I could call on Saturday morning. I assumed the note on Friday, but was surprised to find him waiting to see me here (20 Hades) on my return Friday evening. He said that being in this neighbourhood he thought he would call. I arranged to call at the

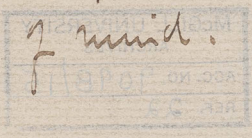
Bedford Label the next morning for
my parcel. I had to go into the city at
any rate & so managed it easily, but
was told that Mr Harrington was out.
In the afternoon he turned up at the
School of mines. He had been in all the
morn & the waster had made a mistake.

I went over the museum, library & with
him & showed as much as I could in
the time. Afterwards he went to see Prof
Ramsay. He intends leaving London tomorrow
for Southampton where he is to meet his
sister, & some other friends, & afterwards
return here.

The Mining Examination is fixed for the
last Saturday in May. Leaving just three weeks,
I must of course try to do as much as
possible in the time. The continuance
of the Natural History lectures hamper me
a good deal.

I quite agree with your saying that
little money is preferable to "hard grinding
toil for riches". However, I don't quite see
the applicability of the latter to the Survey, as
though in one sense there may be "grinding
toil" (e.g. going up & down mountains on
a hot day) still I don't imagine that it
could ever by any possibility lead to "riches".
I don't particularly care for the idea of the
Survey here even if I had the offer of a
place on it. Firstly, on the whole I would
rather be in Canada. Secondly, the geology
now left here is of so minute a character &
of such local interest.

I have the rest of the letter for contributions
which I hope may turn up before writing.
If they don't the page must remain blank -
A reflection in fact of my present state
of mind.



May 9

I last night received a letter from
Mamma, & promise of further
dispatches of Monday's mail.

As a very general rule however
letters posted for Canada are too

late, & only get here of the next-

Subsequent Canadian mail.

So I cannot with any certainty
expect to hear further till next week.

With best love

Yours affectionately

Brother

George

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