

Rankin's address is - 90
 Bank Montreal, Vancouver.
 We are in Grand hotel
 Perouse Hotel, August 17 1896.
 Warden Street, Lower
 Vancouver, B.C.
 My letters ^{are} numerous & in acknowledgment
 of July 17th I thank you cordially for
 all your kindness. This journey is no excep-
 tion to all others I have made - every
 hour is occupied. Stitches - rest & brushings -
 filling in corners more free to men es-
 pecially to one who, like your father, writes
 well & so easily & quickly. He wrote last to
 Clarence but I did not have its contents &
 am quite in the dark as to what you know
 of our movements. When we returned
 from Halifax with Eva & household we
 were 10 days with them in Rock Ferry

Acc. 1377
 Mother
 Mrs. H. C. Bay, Banquet
 all love

During ~~the~~ time we talked a good deal
 about going to Wiswick. Miss Sum intended
 to go & wished me to meet her there. As it
 fell out however Mr. Newhall was at the hotel
 to which she was going & as we found there
 a party was going for Rock Pt., of three friends
 of whom I knew, I arranged to accompany
 them but there being a $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile for
Wiswick & I felt faint-hearted to go alone
 with strangers so persuaded papa to come.
 At the last moment Mrs. Crow decided to
 join us. so here we have been since the 25th
 July spending all our strength-time attending
 my^o, driving to & for the tents, eating & sleeping.
 & we have received much benefit & strength
 altho' for the time it is such a snake-like gorgon
 than like that creature we shall have to eat,
 digest & assimilate. Here we can keep the

we have obtained help for better living.
 The addresses are to be published & to these
 I look forward to methodizing the instructions.
 Both Midway & here are great privileges & I
 don't regret that you, who can make pulls
 & I have much longer use of the teachings that
 coming from an aggregate of the best men of England,
 are now the beneficence instead of me. Papa
 having introduced me to the station here left
 me last Thursday for Hirling to visit a geologist
 there who is interested in similar lines. I expect
 his return this P.M. Meantime what did I
 find last night on my return from the evening
 meetings? — a pencilled note from Eva telling
 me she had taken advantage of my absence
 to get over her trouble & has safely got
 her wish — a long. Unattractive telegram today
 says that all is going on perfectly satisfactory
 so that, although doubtless when father arrives

We shall talk over the situation I think
 we shall carry out our plan of remaining
 here over tomorrow (Sunday), & going to Grassmere
 Monday morn., with our party, returning to
 Rack Heath Tuesday or Wed: to avoid the
 crowded trains that come of a Bank holiday.
 The chief obstacle is we are engaged to dine
 with a Mrs. Coltart either Tues or Wed. E. & I
 must decide wch, in our absence, & she is
 gathering friends suitable to meet us. altho
 desirous to return to be near E. I am not un-
 willing to shorten the time of our stay at the St.
 after our bidet that we intend to go to the
 Craes, at present our plans do not go farther.
 Of course you know that papa has arranged
 to stay here (in England) to the B. A. mgt
 & now that E. has exceeded our calculations
 by two weeks I think it not unlikely that

Each household with ourselves may
 in the early days of ~~August~~ September go
 to back to Halifax or to some other nice
 bracing place for a fortnight. This it seems
 to me not to be good all round as we have
 had a considerable amount of fatigue
 & it will prepare us better to enjoy the B. A. voyage.
 Our passages are secured in the same
 steamer sailing I think on Sep. 22. I see
 in Montreal about the time that Rankin
 & Glo thought they not arrived there. I agree
 with you there it not have ^{been} less so
 much easier & better every way not they
 have been entertained at Metis. Glo pr
 all this has been familiar with in his wealthy
 relations & pr his childhood accustomed to
 this — must think us a scrubby low-down
 set of people. Our surroundings must

Fairly interesting B.A. ⁶ meeting - & also the Resident
appears to her means. They fully under-
stand the man of us can entertain
them & they are to stay at the Windsor.
I fear no one we know will do anything
for them & thus their temporary visit will
be disallusioning. G.L. who has been quite willing
to settle in Montreal if R. wished it. Saying
to me once, Rankine is only Dr Dawson
here, in England but amongst you in
Montreal it will be quite different. I must
have told her we were far greater folks
in England than we ever had been in
Canada. We can however only do what
is given to us. With my self doubts rise
before me as a probable difficulty. & I have
in a most limited indefinite they been
sounding prospects here. Mrs Kendall, one
of our party here, has told me of a Cook

who is leaving one of her friends, a woman
 about fifty but she knows nothing of her
 willingness or otherwise to leave England.
 Had you hear of either your Cook or housemaid
 think of my needs please. As to P^o business
 in Canada I do not know directly, but
 I infer that he goes as one of the directors
 of a Mining Company whose properties are
 in Vancouver & who are paying the \$100000
 to buy more & they have entrusted him to
 overlook the selection of. I had a nice letter
 fr. Flo, written before they landed, in wh. she
 speaks warmly of the affection & thoughtful kind-
 ness of her dear husband, for this I am
 devoutly thankful.

I note all you say about your Children
 I am also thankful that they are all
 well & that you begin to be able to trust her

a little more to Kate. So I trust that you
 as well as he will be improved by warmer
 life & motion. I hope Bernard too will have
 some share of its joys in the latter half of
 the season. When papa decided to stay for the
 B. & C. I was not a little disappointed — now
 I am able to place it among the "all things"
 & am content. I having said that we have
 had a good deal of fatigue & ought to add
 that papa has stood this remarkably well;
 there has been in the fatigue much to him of
 pleasant excitement, & a certain relief & pleasure
 to me also. The experiences of Mildmay & Kestwick
 are a totally new thing & I believe a medicine
 of good will come of them to both of us. Much
 love to Harriet you must all pardon my not
 writing much or well. I have shoals of letters & notes
 lying unanswer'd. Amongst others an P. Phil. who is
 in the summer at the Grove. Kipper - was Hirling