

B.G.'s apparatus shown
at a Toronto meeting.

Montreal
May 25th 1902



Dearest Love,

I fear I have
let too long a time pass
without writing to you,
but the girls have I
believe written a number
of times. We were delighted
to see the first letters
from you on Thursday
(the 22nd) and shall
now expect them every
week. It was only three
weeks yesterday since you
left us, but it seems as
though you had been away
more than twice that time.

Still, all things considered,
we are getting on very well.

Tom's mother is certainly
better than she has been
for a long time - largely
no doubt because R
has been away. She
now says that she is
going to visit this week
- Thursday I think.

R. was fighting with
Reid Taylor about ten
days ago and has not yet
returned. I believe he is
expected to-morrow. They
have had pretty good
sport and the outing
should do him good.

Geo. has dined with us
several times, finding

is rather lovely ³ at home.
She is not looking very
well, but is bright as
usual. This afternoon
I saw Mrs. M. for a little
while. She continues to im-
prove but was feeling a
little down to-day, owing
no doubt to the weather
which has been rather
warm and close for several
days. I met Dr. Martin
on Friday and he said
that if we wanted to have
Mrs. M. as metrics he thought
that she would be quite
able to go by the 1st of
July. He further suggested
that he would be going
down to Beau de Chalein

about that date and would be glad to escort her down. As yet, however, we have said nothing about the matter to her.

We hope to get our first party off to Mexico on the 3^d or 4th of June. I leave for Toronto to-morrow evening to attend the Royal Society meeting, but do not intend to remain there more than three days, as there will be many things to attend to before Clare leaves. Ruth will probably remain here with me, but if she is not looking up to the mark she will have to go too. Bernard's school ends on the 20th of June, and he will come up here and go down with me as soon as I can get away - or possibly before I go.

I have been disappointed
 by my seeds not arriving
 from New York, but hope
 they will turn up to-morrow
 as I wrote about them
 a second time. Yesterday
 Eva, ~~Robby~~ & I went out
 to see Hall, the gardener
 at Outram's, about plants
 for and I have also arranged
 with him to put our back
 garden into proper shape
 as soon as the children have
 left.

I had a letter from Turkey
 the other day saying that
 some one wanted to buy the
 old piano, but the girls
 were so inexorably attached
 to the idea of its being sold
 that I wrote and told him
 that nothing could be done
 in the matter during your absence.

I suppose the girls told
 you about your front-machinist

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having put an end to himself.
His mind had evidently
become unbalanced and
he shot himself through
the heart. Peter Redpath's
death in California is
also another very sad
thing. Amy R. brought
the body all the way
here and the funeral took
place yesterday.

I am to show my vapour
density apparatus at the
Society's meeting and hope
that it will meet with
approval. I had another
form of it made in New
York lately and think
it a decided improvement
upon the first. On Collier's
biographical sketch of

George I have been unable
to do more than make
a very slight alteration
of the former one - there
have been so many things
to attend to of late.

Mrs Howard has been laid
up for several days with
quincy and her sister
has just telephoned saying
that she will be unable
to come out to-morrow.

Eva still looks a little
pale, but Poppy is flourishing
and more active than ever.
He has been with me a good
deal of late and I find
him a delightful companion -
So bright and eager to learn.

Rest all you can dear and do
not feel anxious about us. We are
settling on beautifully. Love Bernard.

We have heard nothing whatever
as to results of Cris's examinations

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