

is another of your friends  
I want to thank - he  
from my Agency Pictor  
I hope he is called  
Grant during his fate.

With much love  
I am believe in  
your affectionate  
mother

April 14<sup>th</sup>  
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have no letters  
me to give to stimulate  
me to high thoughts but  
rather write in the spirit  
of the sailors who "whistle  
for a wind". We are busy  
enough here, I assure you,  
having voluntarily assumed  
a large share of the smaller  
but more troublesome furnish  
ings

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of the new house. #. being  
really very busy. Consequently  
tempted to do things quickly  
rather than economically;  
there all through the greater  
work a little. Much of prepara-  
tion for Metis runs. I have  
made some inquiries about  
Picures but as yet have nothing  
definite to report. We are  
still surrounded by snow  
but have had some fine  
bright days succeeded by frost  
at night. The walking has  
been (for yesterday some of the  
side walks were fairly dreadful



In William's letter he now  
 begins to discuss ways &  
 means of getting home. The  
 Campbells - viz: W. C., Adelaide  
 & Catherine have been in  
 Paris on their return from  
 Rome & I have advised  
 him to return by New York.  
 The "Immars" & "White Star"  
 lines are competing with  
 each other & have reduced  
 their fares <sup>to railway ticket to Montreal</sup> to draw the Canadian  
 public to this side.

Mr. Selwyn who is now in  
 Phil<sup>a</sup> reports everything in great  
 confusion. He has had great

trouble at the Custom House  
having had to unpack & repack.  
It is likely that Mr. H. will have  
to go to Phil<sup>a</sup> after Mr. J. returns  
to Cululagos. Things that come  
into this department but have  
not passed through this hands.

Miss Walker is going to be  
married one of these days. It  
is to be a home wedding for which  
they are making preparations  
on a grand scale, one is put out  
to the public by: an addition  
to this house, built in wood,  
& occupying nearly the whole  
of this yard. William hopes to  
sail on or near the 25<sup>th</sup> of May



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but whether our wedding  
will be postponed until  
he returns we do not yet  
know. I have been proposing  
a very quiet ceremony & to have  
a large Reception party at the  
new house on this return  
from this marriage-trip.  
The invitations will be issued  
in my name, immediately  
after the wedding so that it  
will give no offence to any of  
the friends of his family who  
might have some claim to

claim to be asked were  
 they issued by B. & A. I got  
 leave them & all who shake  
 off into slight acquaintances  
 free to call or not as they  
 please & also avoid all com-  
 mitment as to <sup>their</sup> beginning life in  
 a presumptuous way &c. One other  
 reason for this is, that the  
 Harringtons are still in deep  
 mourning & altho' they do not ob-  
 ject to coming to the wedding  
 we suppose it will be more  
 agreeable to them to have it  
 quiet, & they will feel quite

at liberty to come or stay  
from the lecture. Won't  
you come if I send you a  
very pressing invitation? Lillian  
H. is still with us & will be  
with about the end of June.  
She is a most interesting girl  
she hardly ever speaks of about  
half the dishes that appear at  
table she cannot eat. Her good  
musical ability is her redeeming  
quality, she is also very diligent  
with her other studies, but  
her plain face does not improve  
by familiar contact for it never  
lights up with any expression.



Papa returned yesterday from a short trip to Quebec where he had to attend a meeting of the "Board of Public Instruction". I think the change has brightened him up — we may go on apace. R has only one or two more. He allowed himself only three hours sleep the night before the Logic & English Literature. No results yet. The result of our exams: shows Julia Parker first in Logic & Architecture. & first in Zoology before I must so she is the prize lady with all honours. I ought to tell you that Anne Raso