

27 Eastbourne Terrace

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Dear George,

We have now been more than a week in London, and as before find many interruptions and engagements, I have however been doing a little work at my notes and specimens, and expect to do more, but on Monday I must leave for Edinburgh, with a retreat Marjama as she may decide. I shall return to London at the end of next week and then propose to take three solid weeks at Brit. Museum, Seal Bay etc, in work up my collections. Duerksen is to study the Sebasteum case things for me, Bowney is to do the African rocks, and Stenidge and thus the

Lebanon returns. The
 great maps of Egyptian things
 I shall work up myself
 at Montreal. My little
 paper on the Pacific Railway
 Geographical is to come out on the
 23rd at the Geographical. I shall
 quote you and not take your
 name for the paper itself. I
 am to give an account of
 the Lebanon caves and Egyptian
 flint implements at the Victoria
 Institute early in May, and
 other notes I shall give to Woodward
 for the Geol. Mag. Six papers
 of rough notes are to appear in
 the Science Rev., where you will
 see them - the first two with some
 typog. errors - as I did not see proofs;
 and afterward I may put them
 into the form of a little book.
 My passage is taken for June 12.
 Mauma and Eva are to come
 on July 24th.

So much for my little matters
 Now for your letters.

I am glad to learn from you of the 23rd
 March that there is a prospect that the
 first will sustain Selwyn. They may do this
 very well, and at the same time enable
 him to make his return in his department.
 The evidence of Rose and Hunt, as reported, was
 most satisfactory, and unlike anything I have
 presumed to see in parliamentary proceedings. You think
 me as strange that the first should grant a term
 with the first judgment, but what you say appears to
 have been in fact is sometimes omitted, and Bell certainly
 denotes, from credit for being clear enough to this.
 We should go into parliament and give at present
 in fact. What I fear you mention makes me
 however be certain as to the point, as I can see that
 Hunt and Bell have. I cited a strong feeling against
 Selwyn. You cannot seem to see to have

been quite right and fair, and who too
may be said by partners, you will set credit
for this, and I have no doubt, the whole
matter will come out right in the end.

We lunched with the Duke & Chappell to-day,
and saw the Margis of June and the General
The Margis has heard all about the Deal, being
and thinks much on, & she about it, and reports that
it should have happened just at this juncture. I am glad
to hear that it is not preventing you from getting up a rough
& good sketch. I got last autumn a rough note of the party
you were to go to the other & I am sorry to hear
ask for it if you need it. See that the map is correct there
for you may be sure it will be sharply criticised, and the one of the
vicinity of Montrose prepared for the same often very likely rejected by Hunt and
another substituted. It was however a somewhat poor affair, and there
no doubt that was being prepared with the best.
With all love and good wishes
Yours affectionately
M. B. B. B.

B. The marquis today re-
ferred to a piece of reddish crystalline
Siderstone you had sent him as
resembling one from Tyne I think.
It is however considerably different.
The Tyne specimen is a close
fine-grained red marble, with
scattered crystals apparently of
chrysothime or hornblende. I think there
is a specimen more like it in
our rock collections from the
Montreal; but I do not remember
the locality. If you are in doubt
ask Warrington about it. The
Duke of Devon is at present taking
into rocks from the West of Scotland,
and it was on his behalf
that the Marquis wrote to you.

J. M. D.

