

McGill College,
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Dear George,

Yours of 25th June
reaches me in Montreal, to
which I have come up
for a few days to attend
the Dominion Exh. at
Quebec. I hope to return
at end of the week,
first running up for a
day to Ottawa to see
Lambe about drawing
some leaves of Western
plants. I am not
disappointed by your

detention in Sweden,
as such affairs as far
are concerned in these
days, especially in
times of political
excitement. In point
of fact, everything depends
on the elections; as of
they go against the
present new men
will have to go
into the whole matter
de novo, and the
United States is al=

not in as had a
position, as the chances
seem very even be-
tween Harman and
Cleveland; and the
former is trying to in-
duce his by picking
a quarrel with Canada
about Canal tolls,
and making a
wholesale seizure of
dealers in the Pacific.
Cleveland's party cannot
fly so attractive Kites;

but will profit if their
opponents kites chance
& come down. To the
end it would be well
to see that the American
Cruisers have not exceeded
their lawful power as the
Port Columbrans assert they
have.

My glacial bath day
slow - waiting for paper -
I have read no news
yet, all the family are
now silent except
Will & myself. Arthur &
Eva however leave Metz
to-day to take the
"Garnier" at Luner.

Matters political & educational are pretty quiet for the time. There is always a lull in the summer. The Quebec Legislature has closed without much fancy or foolish legislation, and the Dominion Parliament is expected to be prorogued next week. The sun, sun, has been shining, which is a sign of quiet.

I send with this a new portrait of Maamma which I think will please you. It shows her eyes & features when lively and "defiant" better than any

any other I have seen,
and reminds me of
what she used to be
in a wild mood
when a girl. It is
certainly remarkable
for a grand mother being
forward so, and I
hope she may lay her
up to it. I have
sent a similar one
of Rankine. Please
give him my love. I hope
he will set himself to work
in the direction of some
permanent professional object,
tell his friends with this.
Say to him that I have seen
Radcliffe, who is very cordial, and
expects to be in England this summer,
ever yours
J. M. Dawson