

Birkenhead,  
 Little Metis.

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Dear George,

We are now  
 working on to the middle  
 of August, and I still  
 have before me some  
 unfinished business with  
 but have got through  
 a good deal. We have  
 reason to congratulate  
 ourselves on the cool  
 weather here; and  
 for some time it has  
 been dry as well.  
 I received last week

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John Knowlton of  
Washington a paper on  
the Flora of Alaska,  
in which he discusses  
at great length the  
age of the Alaskan  
"Miocene" the "McKenzie  
River, Pt Barrow, etc;  
and gives his views  
on the age of the  
beds. He concludes with  
quoting a sentence from  
one of my papers to  
the effect that the  
Upper Tertiary, the Tertiary  
Group, and Alaskan

and Greenland beds here,  
before referred to Murchison  
as certain success.  
This, in far as the  
Americans are concerned,  
will show the utter  
on the age of these  
beds, and finally  
disprove of the Murchison  
theory. He quite admits  
the late age of the  
Linnæus and  
similar beds in the  
interior of British  
Columbia. I mention  
this to you, as it

May interest you as  
connected with present  
work.

William was to finish  
in the straits of Belleisle  
this week, and to return  
to Sydney ~~to~~ Coal for  
work in "Cabot's Strait"  
Bernard is still with  
Anna, but may come  
home before end of  
August. There seems  
little of any improvement  
in poor Eric, and  
Anna must therefore  
remain with him all  
summer. Eva was to  
leave in the Vancouver

On Thursday (9th) and  
 as I spend a short  
 time here before  
 going to Montreal  
 I see little news  
 in Science, and  
 in politics the  
 thing most likely to  
 excite you is the  
 supposition that the  
 war between China  
 and Japan is pro-  
 moted by Russia,  
 in hope of getting  
 a port in Corea  
 where she may collect  
 an army and

and fleet that may  
make her mistress  
of the Pacific, and  
threaten India, Aus-  
tralia & Canada, in  
event of any trouble  
with England. That  
at least is what  
the Washington politicians  
say.

We follow you  
with our prayers for  
all blessing from above  
and all prosperity in  
your work. Ever yours  
J. M. Dawson