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8, GERALD ROAD,
EATON SQUARE.

Apr 28th 1900

Dear George,

This line

merely to accompany

a photo of your

little god child,

recently taken, &

which we consider

Successful!

21 The news today
of the great fire in
Ottawa is some-
what alarming.

I trust it is exagger-
ated, although of
course it will not,
in any case, I hope,
affect Ottawa proper
to any gr extent. No
doubt many Ottawa
people will be hard hit.

Our plans

OR CLARE

are still

a little nebulous.

It is likely that I

shall be able to

make a start towards

the end of May -

Ed. & others &c. may

follow later in the

summer.

As regards biography,

I fancy the necessary

work c^d be done as
well at Mont^{re} as in
Montreal. All the papers
& MSS necessary are I think
already collected in a
portable form -

Congratulate you on
the presidency of the Amer-
icⁿ Geol. Socⁿ for this year!
A very substantial honour!

With all very kind
wishes, in wh. G. joins.

Yours sincerely,
Rankine