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Copy of pencilled note in W.O.'s handwriting, undated.

^{writes his brother}
The ~~books~~ of ~~Dr~~ Edward Cole, the naturalist-doctor, were also ^{well} represented E.R.D. Aug. '21.
and as told in ~~the~~ ^{the} pencilled note found among Sir William's papers some several-
years later.

As a boy in a backwoods settlement in Upper Canada,
the English post would bring letters from an Uncle Edward
for whom we cherished an amazing veneration ^{on} for the shelves
in father's little study (there ~~were~~ ^{were not} actually books written
by him, and poems, and mysterious big articles with drawings
about shells, and now and again did we not sing in church
one of his hymns? The reputation of the family seemed to
~~centre~~ ^{circle} about this uncle whose letters were always so welcome
and so full of news of the old home and so cheery. We boys
could read the difference in our father's face when the post
brought a letter from Uncle Sam, the black [#] sheep of the family,
whose ^{ventures} ^{instincts??} were costly ~~earthly~~ and whose