

August

my general he can not have carte blanche in his own sphere as Dennis & Russell his predecessors had. I believe that I in that position would give more prestige to the position than he does. My programme of work is considerably haphazard and made by myself and King, but it is very unsatisfactory to be to a great extent working in the dark, not knowing for certainty what the next move will be.

It had been my intention to connect Winnipeg with Montreal, the latter being established in England, but Mr. D. wants this determination made with the new transit which has not yet arrived, and have suggested Portage du Lac as a point, this afternoon he changed it to Sault Ste. Marie, the meridian of the Northwest being an important international point.

I called on Mrs. Burgess but she was not in. — In the evening was at McKinney's and at 11 P.M. left for home.

Wednesday 17
cloudy
we little rain

Arrived in Toronto at 8-30 a.m. and did some shopping, at 2 P.M. at Hamilton where I called on him. Arrived at home at 5-30 P.M. where Marie, Max & Lulu met me at the station, Oskar being in Berlin. Glad to be at home & happy together, but we missed little Oskar very much.

Thursday 18
sunny
we little rain

Busy in my office. I unpacked a case of fossils & sent part of them to Mr. J. W. Powell Director of the Geological Survey Washington. They are from Mt. Stephen & one species has been named by Dr. Rossignol to whom I sent similar ones last fall *Gygia Klozi* - after me the discoverer. As Marie & I were both hoping for Oskar I wrote to him to come home & he did so this afternoon by stage. I sent the boys for Congress