

Sunday 12 Busy at proof reading for Mr. Deville. In afternoon pleasant moon the boys & I played croquet, thereafter a little cool joyed some ice-cream which Marie had made. Part of the evening was spent at music & games.

Monday 13 In forenoon Marie & I drove to Hunt's about woods. fore. pleasant Did some office work. -
eve. little rain

Tuesday 14 At 11 a.m. I left for Ottawa; at Toronto did some shopping; met J.B. Tyrrell, ^{of the Geol. Survey} with whom I spent a pleasant hour over a glass of beer & a cigar. Left Toronto at 1:45 P.M. On Keeweenaw I met Dr. Tejusque, M.H. Knisley of Niagara Falls, Jackson of Sault Ste. Marie, R. Teller of Hamilton & Hugh Dennis of Cobourg; we had a pleasant time.

Wednesday 15 In Ottawa. In forenoon called on W.F. King & E. Deville. King, Downy, Dr. Arthur & I spent a short time at the Bodega together. In afternoon called on A.C. Buffers Dep. Minister or rather waited for him two hours and then didn't see him, he not returning to the department after luncheon. After dinner King spent the evening with me when we discussed the probable Alaskan work, but as neither he nor Mr. Deville know what is going to be done we could not intelligently discuss the means & way in which it is to be done. Everything is apparently kept in darkness, and then when the Supreme moment arrives we are supposed to be in readiness with instruments &c. to do what is required. -

Thursday 16 After waiting for two hours I saw Mr. Buffers for a moment, & he told me that it would probably be the 1st July soe anything would be done re Alaska Survey & boundary. - King & Opilvic took luncheon with me. - King & I were together thereafter till 5 P.M. After dinner I called on King at his house & we chatted till 10 P.M. when he arrived.

May

promised me to the hotel, and thereafter to the station as I was leaving for home. He appears to be greatly attached to me. He promised to assist himself in the Alaska Survey already alluded to. - It appears that G. M. Dawson of the Geological Survey is making himself very conspicuous in the matter, - Deville & King being nowhere. At 11 P.M. I was off. -

Friday 17

fine
warm

At 8 A.M. in Toronto, and immediately off for home. The country looks simply grand now - so fresh - so green - so picturesque. Although in my many years travel a great part or the greater part of the N. American continent has passed before me as a panorama, yet with all the praise of California and other parts - western Ontario possesses the greatest charms; taken all in all it is the cream of America. - Home at noon. In afternoon Maie & I were in Gall shopping. Evening busy in office. -

Saturday 18

very warm

Busy in office - proof reading &c. The boys were in drinking today. -

Sunday 19

pleasant - cool
little rain

Read &c. In afternoon Maie & I croquet with the boys, and then enjoyed some sketch that Maie had made. - In the evening Maie & I played cribbage with the boys. -

Monday 20

warm
Some rain

In the turmoil of housecleaning - as my library was under treatment I removed all the books myself as also the safe, the latter no small job for one man. - As we are going to have it papered and the walls & ceiling had been oil-soured they had to be washed off, a dirty job. -

Tuesday 21

Cold, cloudy

My exertions yesterday, unfit me for work today, having brought on my old complaint in a severe form - haemorrhoid. - The office is being papered today I felt homeless, as it was too chill to sit in any of the other rooms - unless I wanted to about. - At night the room was finished, & Maie