

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