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Letter from Cope to his
wife describing:

Canon City: "a new
and rough town of small
size" and

Dr. Lucas: an agreeable
young man and a
strict presbyterian"

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you very well, as you
are in getting on
now to complete the
last. I am now go-
ing to tell what may
be done to bring up
various Chinese phys-
icians and others with
curing, and soon to fol-
low. There has never
it looks like an effort
to stop this. And now
things are going into
various here.

we have discussed, and we will be
young men, and foolish
pridey creases. We don't
want to be his part but's more
like the boy his kind of
the becoming old. This morning
show of his old manners a
rough hand, many of
the Samian high & soca
vocations with common
influence. You will be known
the town in which he keeps
town you will be further
you will be

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town, of limited size.
The weather is fine. I
found the horses the
cavans of all the large

On Saturday the 20th of June
I went up to the mountains to
have one of my
little walks down & up.
I had a very
long walk.

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My loving husband
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**Letter from Cope to his wife in which he gives his impression of Cañon City and
Oramel Lucas:**

Dear Wife,

This is the third day that I have been here and tomorrow I leave for Colorado Springs. Six days ago I left Cheyanne, taking the west route which keeps nearer the mountains than the old Denver Pacific road, passing through Boulder, Golden etc. I spent a day in Denver looking up matters and things and it paid very well as I succeeded in getting a pass to Canyon City and back. I met here Jackson, Hayden's photographer and Ingersoll one of the editors of Science News. Stevenson who is now with King was soon to follow. Denver has grown; it looks like another Eastern City; but new buildings are going up everywhere.

Canyon City is a new and rather rough town of small size. The scenery is fine. I found Mr. Lucas the discoverer of all the huge Saurians, an agreeable young man, and a strict presbyterian. He lives with his fathers family, the father himself having died this spring. Seventh day I made a complete survey of the Saurian beds and excavations which commence 7 miles from the town north, and extend 7 miles further. There are signs of many others in the rocks.

On getting home I felt that I was going to have one of my attacks of fever and yesterday I had it sure enough. I slept much and tookaconite every hour day and night. Today I am much better, and tonight will, I hope, fit me to leave for Colorado Springs in the morning. I have the tooth ache and sore throat as usual, but fortunately no other complications.

I want to hear where you are and what you are doing. I ordered my letters forwarded to Chey-Denver, and so have not yet seen them. I will not write to Julia.

Thy loving husband,
Edward

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