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her. Her name is Mary! As soon as I get time I'll take a picture of Mary & m & send to you. My, but I feel proud to own a horse all by myself! You needn't tell anybody but we got the team of two mares for eighty dollars (\$). That's a real good bargain even here. If I had my pony in Berlin now she <sup>some</sup> would be worth over a hundred dollars! Later in the year we will be able to get horses cheaper yet from the Indians.

My hand is almost well now. I went to the doctor about it & he said it was an abscess. He washed it & put a poultice on & after that the poison seemed

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Dearest Mother:-

Will & I have each bought a pony; Will's is a white bronco, four year old mare just off the prairie & wild. Hasn't been broken yet. Mine is a three year old bay mare with two white spots. She is as gentle as can be & I am just crazy about her. I can ride her around without either a saddle or a bridle. I am going to get a saddle tomorrow. Tho, because it is much easier riding in a saddle, Will hasn't named his mare yet but mine was named when I got



to be out and the swelling went down  
There was a blister left on my hand with  
some black hard blood in it & I picked  
it & now the skin from this blister is  
all coming off. It leaves a big sore spot  
in the middle of my palm but that  
doesn't bother so very much when I am  
developing & printing.

The reason we haven't written to you  
is because we have been busy all the  
time except Sunday & then were so  
tired that it is hard to think of anything  
to say. I am in Calgary now to pack  
up our trunks & stuff to move to Gleichen.  
We can keep them in the barn at the  
Bolinger's all right. It is just like being  
in paradise to be in bed again. I am  
writing in bed. I haven't been in a bed  
since I was here two weeks ago & haven't  
taken off my union suit or stockings since  
then. I just took a warm bath & I feel  
so good & clean that I don't know myself  
just to think of sleeping between sheets again  
instead of sleeping between spear grass needles  
& a dirty blanket makes me sleepy so good  
night. Love from your son  
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