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G. M. PIERCE, Manager

Bassano, Alta. March 30, 1910.

Dear Mother:-

I got a letter from Willie on Monday and he says that he will not be here before the third week or the last in April if he comes at all. He is going up into the woods now for three or four weeks, he says and when he gets back he thinks maybe he can borrow the money of Harry since Harry has had good luck. He thinks that my plans are first class and told me to go ahead & buy a couple more cayuses and a wagon & build my shack and hire someone to plow a five-acre guard around his & my land and also five or ten acres on my homestead. I would put the tent up on his land as soon as my shack is built so that landseekers out there would see that someone is there. I wrote a letter to Willie about all this & he thought it all just right. I won't be able to do anything on my

land myself except spade up and plant a garden. When I get the garden in or maybe before I will dig a cellar in the side hill near or beside the shack and make a dark room. Then I will ~~go~~ ^{go} around with my two cayuses and take photographs. I already have a few orders to take some ~~and~~ I am in Bassano now with another fellow "shooting up the town" as the traveling photographers say. We are doing quite a little business and only came down here yesterday afternoon. Another photographer came down here this afternoon and I guess he thinks he is going to get ahead of me & run me out, but I don't think so. I intend to leave here Friday or Saturday & go back to Gleichen, pack up my goods, buy another cayuse, a wagon & harness & a month's provisions and start on the journey alone. It is about one hundred and thirty miles from there & will take me about four days or maybe a week if I have a heavy load.

Well goodbye mother. I was awfully glad to get some letters from you, addressed to Calgary. There was one there from Evelina too. My address is Gleichen until I write differently but later it will be Chinook
your loving son Selden.

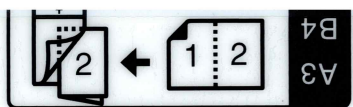
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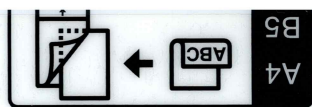
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