

Edmonton Alberta  
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Dear Mother:-

I am sending on your letter regarding the will etc. to Selden. I know his opinion and would if they happen not to answer at once viz. that it is quite all right the way you have suggested. It makes Selden blue to hear you talking of a will but of course a will is more businesslike even for a person in the early prime of life. I though you could depend us to carry out your wishes there would be more red tape without a will.

Then as to having any particular things to any of us, I believe you know that <sup>mere</sup> objects don't have the same associations for me that they apparently have for you. I don't know any object that I feel attached to. I like things for their own sake irrespective of the associations. so I hope you will not feel under any obligations to consider me in the matter.

As to the Moravian church - I hardly think I will look it up. The bond of sympathy between us would be very small - fully as small as that which binds me to two thirds of the people I meet. It is generally possible to find some common point of interest with

never mind about the Jr. unless you wish. A man can't afford to wear a ring or charge his name at marriage etc and if anyone is interested in the question of my single blessedness this fine to ask me and my time.



most of the people I meet as my tastes are rather catholic and  
and my acquaintance is fairly large both in a geographical  
way and otherwise. If I chanced to meet a Moravian I  
would certainly tell him my <sup>would be</sup> connections with that demon-  
ination but I hardly feel it grounds enough for hunting  
up strangers unless of course I had no other similar bonds  
with other people.

As to Miss Flossie Warner - I looked up Warner in  
the telephone book and found only one subscriber by the  
name of Warner. I wonder if you would phone down to the  
Registrar's office for me and see if you could get a  
copy of alumnus' addresses - there used to be a publication  
of that sort years ago. I met another girl lately who  
had a brother graduate from Oberlin. His last name  
was Rowland but I don't think it was our Oberlin  
family of Rowlands. He did some special studying in  
music. His sister graduated from Normal college in  
North Dakota and also has had two years of university  
one at North Dakota and one at Columbia. She is in  
the lower Normal class.

As to your question of how I got money to come  
here. Coral and Selden insisted on my taking enough  
money (about \$100) to get the start. It simply means  
that that much was not paid on debts. Coral has ~~very~~ been  
very much of an inspiration to me in attempting this step  
and she would be quite as generous as my own sisters  
in coming to my financial assistance. Of course our



affairs are so intricately bound up that any financial reverse, lack of economy or sickness etc of any one of us three would be the common misfortune of all three. It would be hard to find a person as sensible and generous to get along with as Coral. In reality my actual cash come from her salary check but she was supposed to take over some grain checks (which they are at present holding in reserve in case I run out of funds) and maybe money from other items (sale of horses or cattle) to reimburse herself. It is supposed that I will likely be earning money by fall. Another source of income for me is a loan from the government of \$50.00 a month which will meet most of my expenditures. The government give this as a maximum to any normal student who applies. Another fact in relation to the three of us is that Selden had had several hundred dollars more from the common fund than I but then Coral has never used any money for herself outside of a bare living. You can see it would be an impossible situation if Coral was a different type of girl. Many new complications will enter this year. I have arranged matters so that all our borrowing power is in Selden's hands. The expense of wearing the farm will naturally fall on him but then a certain amount will have to be spent in making it possible to keep a hired man etc. Then likely too S.C. will butcher for their own use one of the cattle and many other items.

I have just taken out an insurance policy for \$2000 in Coral's name. (It can be changed to a new beneficiary at any time)



As to your question of knowing any one in town when I come here. There are several Chinook people here <sup>above</sup> ~~three~~ <sup>studying</sup> one teaching in the University, a doctor who used to be in Chinook and several others. I have seen several on the streets but haven't looked any of them up. I haven't much time for trying to form new acquaintances or hunt up old ones as the work is pretty heavy. No one will hurt because I overlook them I think. There were a dozen or more friends from Chinook here as delegates to the provincial Farmers Convention whom I attempted (partly successfully) to see.

I joined a city choir but am afraid I won't have the time for it as I chose a church at the other side of the city. A person has to choose what not to go into ~~in~~ <sup>in</sup> the city (or town) as there are so many avenues that can be followed up that soon would engross one's whole attention.

I like the teachers very well but this graduate class is a new experiment to them. Our psychology professor I really think is a real scholar the other teachers are fair. It may interest you to know that in the tests of intelligence (not of knowledge) I grade in the lower third of the class. By intelligence is meant the ability to meet new situations by drawing on previous experience, also the ability to understand and reproduce the thought of another. I fell down especially in arith. In arithmetical tests of ability to add subtract multiply and divide I am about the lowest in the class. The best man in the class was able to complete all correctly. 24 adding exercises while I did about eight and got three of those wrong & one figure each.

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