

Better may have to go to P.O.
again to see about the freight
(we have written about it
but rec'd no word) and if so,
he will try again to find
Mr. Hillis.

We were wondering only
yesterday where the negotiators
of your pictures and Mary's
went. We have a print of
each. We may find the
films when our freight comes.
I certainly hope so, for we
want to make some good
copies for ourselves, and will
make some for you at the
same time. If you know, we
did our packing in a great
hurry - I rated it low time
and money being away from
school! - the first
week in October, not knowing

we came to Long Beach. We
liked it so very very
much better than P.O. that
we simply went back for
our suitcase that night,
came to P. B. again on Sunday
(day before Christmas) and have
been here ever since. One
day Helen went to P.O. to see
about the timber, and he
looked up Mr. Hillis. At
least, he looked up the
address which was in the
directory, but found he had
moved from there about a
month ago. Then we went
to the Institute, but Mr. Hillis
was gone. He had no more
time that day, so sent him
a postal after coming back.

where we were going, nor what our line of business would be. So nothing thing we wish for now, of course.

We have had two short letters from Will. He had Christmas dinner with Mrs. and Dr. A. M. Scott, Supt of Schools in Calgary. One of the lady teachers from Mt. Royal College and Mrs. Dr. Kealy, Principal of Mt. Royal were also guests.

Will entertained them with his original, humorous speeches, and when the time came to leave Dr. Scott begged them to stay a little longer until Will could think up another. A friendship with Dr. Scott would probably secure Will a position on the staff of the High Schools, and

Monday the 15th

Dear Mother. -

I've just add a note to what Selden has written. About the mail - we left word at the post-office in Los Angeles to have the mail forwarded here and I think we have rec'd it all. Ellen's lovely Christmas boy came safely.

When we first came we were in L.A. only about a day, and Selden spent all his time looking out for work and finding out about conditions. That was Friday, and Saturday

We have a job already
for you when you come to
Long Beach - tinting photo-
graphs. Mr. Manning has
given me some lessons and
I find it most fascinating,
but I am not very artistic
along that line. The colors
are all rubbed on with
a little piece of silk cloth.
I took one order to-day, and I
am afraid I will use up
all my materials if I put
on as much paint as the
original.

Please excuse the
awful scribble. We have
no place to write in this
room except our laps.
Couldn't you tell it?
Lovingly - Coal.

that would be a better position,
~~but~~ ^{than his present position} as regards both salary
and permanency.

Has Selden told you of
the investment he made
of Mary's money? He put
\$200 in General Motors stock,
we added \$80. more to it
during the summer. When
leaving Calgary, he left orders
to sell when it reached a
certain price, and when they
sold, it realized \$333.18
Isn't that a pretty good
gain for less than a year?
(The money was invested about
April) It is out of this
money that we paid
\$300. and still have some
left. We'll lose about \$3.⁰⁰ in exchange
to American money.