

Chinook Alta  
Dec. 20, 1913

Dear Mary

It's so very kind of you to send the twenty-five dollars when you need it so much yourself. Indeed I will not use it for anything but my teeth. Of course I could not go to Calgary with only twenty-five dollars, so in consideration of the fact that there is to be a dentist in Chinook soon I will wait until he comes. I have no respectable clothes to travel with anyway as I tore a hole in a conspicuous place in my only near-decent trousers. Well will not allow me to buy another pair of good pants for a year (until we get away) so travelling is out of the question. I am trying now to make enough money to pay our taxes before the 31<sup>st</sup> of December. They amount to about

seventy five dollars here & twenty-five for the scrip. We have to pay about forty five dollars taxes on our homesteads on account of the mortgages, but can let the rest slide for a while.

I printed some of the pictures today which you have been expecting for a long time. I will mail them Monday.

Will and I are invited to Christmas dinner to the Johnsons' and to the Marmens' for New Years'. Mother can tell you who they are. The Johnsons' had a restaurant in Chinook for five months. They always have heaps of good grub!

I wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Love & Best from  
Curley.

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