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Dear Cousin

Until I looked at the date

I could hardly realize that it was so long ago that I received your very interesting letter enclosing some letter from the young men telling of life in Alberta.

I was glad to learn that they are showing that they are true descendants from the old stock and feel sure that notwithstanding the difficulties they will make good.

I have often thought of them when I saw in the papers some item about crops in Alberta. I hope that they had a good season this year and can feel that they are making progress.

It seems hard in these days. Certainly harder than when I was young for those who are starting in active life.

I have the letter yet and will return them as soon as I hear from you that you are still at the same address - not that I

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have any reason ⁽²⁾ to suppose that you have
moved but do not wish so large a letter
to follow you around in case you are away
for the holidays

I have very little to write about the family.
I am still with the Trustees of Kessler & Co.
engaged in what seems almost the endless
task of winding up the affairs of that firm.
I think however that there will be an end
before long and the present outlook is
that after that I shall be out of business
for good.

I am glad to say that my wife and I, children
and grandchildren are all fairly well
the young people weller if I may use such
an expression than grandpa and grandma.
My sister Abbie has been sick confined
to her bed for a couple of weeks, but is
now better. My brother Bert was in
the office the other day and seems quite
well and reports Florence as better
than for some years past.

Cousin John Scott has been real sick
with the inflammatory rheumatism but
the last I heard was better and I hope
by this time is able to be around again.
Did you know that his son David is a

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father having a son several months old.
I enclose a check for \$50 with my Christmas
greeting and hope that you can use it in
some way that will add gladness to the day.
My wife joins me in wishing you and
yours a happy and prosperous new year.
When you write be sure and let me
know how affairs are going in Alberta.

Yours truly
W. E. Magie