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Evangelical Lutheran Church  
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Morrisburg, Ont.

Nov. 24, 1915:

Dear Mother:-

Pardon me for failing to make mention of your birthday and to extend my congratulations in my last letter. But as it was several days before your birthday occurred, I never thought of it. It only dawned upon me Sunday when I had occasion to write down the date of the month; then and there thought well, this is my mother's birthday; but it goes without saying that I breathed a prayer for your happiness on your natal day and for your highest welfare through many more years to come. I was sorry, I did not think of it in time to get my good wishes in the letter which you no doubt received about that

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date. Caroline has been after me for the last week or so to tell him when I was going to write to grandmother as he could get a letter in. I gave him the opportunity to-night; the result you will find enclosed. I hope you will be able to read it. It seems to form his plurals by adding 'is' instead of 'a'. The words are not all of them those with which he is familiar and are not therefore representative of his chirography. But he did it all himself without any help from anybody and is anxious that I should tell you so. The boy he sits with is Ryerson Casselman. I tell you this for fear you might not be able to make out the name. When he got through with his letter, he

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said he wanted you to show it to your little boy that goes to school. I told him he should put "P. S. Show this to Marcus," which he has done.

We were invited out to dinner yesterday at Mr. Jacob Lane's down the river front. Bonnie and I and Herman and Marion were down, and stayed also till after tea. We had fried chicken for dinner besides an abundance of other good things. Minnie stayed home and kept the baby and Cora Lee was at school. We have been having beautiful weather for quite awhile now, very mild for so late in the season. We have had no occasion yet to put on our storm doors or double windows. These would make it too warm with the furnace going. Minnie and Marion

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have had pretty bad colds, but both are getting better now. Our new range is to be placed in the kitchen to-morrow. It is a fine looking stove and the most popular one sold in Ontario, "The Universal Range." The cellar under the Church is now in readiness for the installation of the furnace and I expect they will have the furnace in by the first of next week if not before. This will greatly improve the appearance and the comfort of our little Church. I don't think we will be able to do much remodeling or decorating in the Church before spring. I am trying to get the old windows to be replaced by stained glass memorial windows. I think I will be able to get the most of them taken up.

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It is only four weeks now, or a little better, one month to-morrow, to be exact until Christmas. It hardly seems possible that it is so near. Last Friday night Bonnie and I attended the Ladies Aid and Missionary Society's meeting and social in Mudell Bush. It was about 7 miles below here. We had a stormy night to return in, but weren't much the worse for the weather. We were up the street to-night to see Mrs. Casselman, the late Dr. Casselman's mother. She is quite low and I don't think will ever be any better, though she may last till the holidays. To-morrow night Dan to attend the Little League at Mrs. Hunter's near St. John's Chapel. My horse hire is running heavy this month. It will be \$15 or over. I am not saving any money at all.

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The only time that I ever made any was at the Ophians' home. If it hadn't been for the surplus there I think I would have been in bankruptcy by this time. Miss Dr. Victoria Ernst has adopted William Sherman and is going to educate him for the Lutheran ministry. He is a bright boy and I think will make a good minister. Dr. Strauss informs me that they are ready to give me graduation in the English Bible course of the Chicago Seminary Correspondence course. I don't know that I will have much use for it but will take it if there is no fee attached for diploma. I have credits also on several other courses. Dr. Strauss writes as though he has an idea that I am a pretty good Theologian. I have been taking a post graduate course off and on for

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several years by correspondence with Chicago. I  
would do more in this line, but am too tired the first  
couple days in the week to do anything and the rest of  
the week is largely taken up with my Sunday work and  
the necessary visiting. I will be glad when the time  
comes that this parish can be divided. I am not  
losing any flesh however - in fact I am rather picking  
up some. I weighed 160 the other day and I doubt if  
any of the boys can do better. But I must bring my  
rambling ramblings to a close. With love to all,

I am

Sincerely yours

Carroll H. Little.