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Dear Mother:-

I have just got back from St. John's where I preached again to-night for Pastor Boekelmann who was incapacitated by reason of a cold accompanied by severe hoarseness. His throat seems to be quite weak, and every little cold knocks him out. I'm afraid that sooner or later he will have to give up his big church and take something smaller or perhaps move to a milder climate. Apart from his throat trouble, he is quite well and very active. He paid me \$5 for my service to-night, which will help out a little in the fast approaching Christmas time with its heavy financial strain. I was only asked to preach for him yesterday morning and had very little time for preparation, but I came through with it very well and made, I think, a very good impression. All the Professors were out to-day - Prof. Linck and Gust in their parishes, Prof. Willison at Port Colborne, Prof. Schaeffer at Stratford, and myself at St. John's. Student Walter Grand preached in German at St. John's this morning. I think it was the