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As I am not particularly busy this afternoon I will seize the opportunity thus afforded to write you a few lines again. October has come and gone. It sustained its reputation of being one of the finest months in the year in this latitude. It was fine and warm and dry throughout this year. November bids fair to be much rougher. It opened up yesterday with a heavy wind, but still fairly warm. To-day, however, was cold with snow-flurries off and on at intervals. As all the leaves are off the trees now we may look for fairly cold weather from this out. I was down at St. John's Church this morning. The pastor preached a Reformation sermon from the text Jer. 13:23. But it was rather from the text than on it; for he never referred to it or quoted it after he announced it. His sermon was all right as far as it went, but was altogether too negative, consisting of nothing but a denunciation of the Roman Catholic Church. Personally I didn't get much out of it as I was convinced before he began that the Catholic Church is ein Mahr und ein Tadel 20, an Ethiopian and a leopard. To-night our next door neighbour Prof. Hinkle will hold forth. Bonnie and the boys will go down but I will stay at home and keep house. To-night there will be a joint Reformation service at Preston, the congregations of the Central Canada Synod at Hamilton, Elmhurst, Guelph, St. Peter's, Galt and Preston taking part in it. Prof. Zwick is to be the chief