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Dear Mother:

I have just got home from Strickland, where I preached for Pastor Gnike, who was called away to Buffalo for the funeral of his mother. I had a fair turn-out to-night and got home at 9:25. I was glad of the opportunity to preach to-night, as I was about at the end of my rope financially, although it is quite early in the month yet. I cleared \$5⁵⁰ on the trip to-night. This isn't much, but when one is hard up every little helps. At this time of the year, when so much winter clothing has to be bought and rubbers and shoes and what-not, quite a strain is put upon the purse-strings. But I have had quite a bit of preaching to do, for which I am thankful, and, though it is somewhat up a head-to-mouth existence, there is nearly always some way or another to get along. Next Sunday I am booked for Hamilton, which will give me another life of about \$10. We had mild weather and a great deal of rain last week. This destroyed the ice and spoiled the prospects for skating; but I suppose

There is time enough yet for such sports. To-day it turned suddenly cold and we had snow squalls most of the day. To-night it is quite cold and very windy. It makes one think of winter and coming at this time we can hardly expect a great deal more of mild weather. To-morrow is our Thanksgiving Day. Pastor Roberts preached a thanksgiving sermon this morning. I didn't preach one to-night; though I touched on it at the close of my sermon. We are having a holiday in the College and Seminary to-morrow, but otherwise we are not celebrating. We had a roast of beef to-day, out of which Bonnie tried to save enough for a Thanksgiving dinner to-morrow. Herman went home Friday with one of his student friends by the name of Walter Mogg, who lives at Imboston, about 30 miles from here, where I preached some time ago. Herman's friend is only a little fellow, younger than he is. Corvulus always chums with boys older than himself. He chums as his special friend Gladstone Schaeffer who used to go to school here but is at present studying at Toronto University to become an actuary in the Dominion Life Insurance Co. Gladstone is home over the holidays and he and Corvulus are having a great time now riding around in the former's big car. Eileen had great trouble in learning to add and subtract at first, but she is a cracker-jack at it now and can add a large sum in an incredibly short time. Bonnie says she can

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beat her at it all hollow. She has advanced her standing one class since school started. Little Catharine has been quite sick for the last couple days with stomach trouble, due, I think, to eating too many apples. She had considerable fever and has eaten nothing for a couple days. We physicked her and she is showing some improvement to-day and we hope she will be all right again by to-morrow. She is a wonderfully patient little girl and as sensible as a grown person. Marion continues to improve under her treatment, though she doesn't appreciate it these cold days and makes quite a time over it. But I administer the treatment myself and do it with religious regularity. I bought her a winter coat and hat the other day and she is as proud as Lucifer and likes nothing better than to stand before a mirror and admire herself in truly feminine fashion. Robert and I have turned to chess again lately. Last night I beat him twice. So I am champion for the time being. At the examinations last week Arthur stood 2nd in his room and was just one point behind first-place. He could have taken first-place if he had tried, but he said he didn't want to because they clap too much. He is quite bashful about some things. Robert wrote a long letter to-day to his cousin Ray de Lang. It was very interesting, particularly some of the spelling. Ruth and Catharine are great clowns

with little Catharine doing the patronising and the
planning. To-night Pastor Roberts had the Sunday
school to take part in the English Thanksgiving
service. All our children were down except Ruth.
She goes to Sunday School, of course, but we thought
the weather too rough and the service too long to let
her go to-night; and she didn't make any time about it.
Bonnie finished her house-clearing last week and
now we can live again. It is hardly livable when
that sort of thing is going on. Well, I think I
have now mentioned about every member of the
family. I will only add that our Liberal Govt is
still in power, the Premier in spite of the election
having refused to abdicate before the assembling of
Parliament. He is legally within his rights in so doing,
but I think he has made a great tactical blunder,
which will react upon him in the end. Well, I
must close. With love and good wishes to all,

I am

Most Sincerely yours,
Carroll A. Little.