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Dear Mother:

As I have just put the little ones to bed and a comparative quietness is reigning, I will embrace the opportunity thus afforded to write you a few lines again to-night. When I wrote you last week the small pox scare was just on and I did not know what would be the result on our school. The authorities, however, were quite lenient with us and did not put the school under quarantine. They removed the one case in the building to the Isolation Hospital and required all who had not been vaccinated within the past four years to be vaccinated. This work was up about all day Monday, but on Tuesday we were able to go along as before. I had Coelius and Herman vaccinated, but though it has been now almost a week there is no sign as yet that it is going to take. In fact you can scarcely tell where the scratch was as it is all healed over. In order not unduly to alarm the community all the resident students were kept in to-day and not allowed to go out to the different churches in Waterloo and Kitchener and in order that they might not be without services I preached to them in the Chapel this morning. We had the regular Morning Service and they all seemed

to enjoy it. I think the collection amounted to about \$5 or perhaps a little more. I turned it all over to the Cassman-Haymunga Missionary Society, although I could have kept it for myself and was in sore need of it. I thought it would make a better impression and have a better influence over the boys if I turned it over to their missionary society. We had sloppy weather - not very cold, but foggy, misty and rainy all last week. But last night it became cold again and it has been snowing and freezing up all day. I have not been out of the house all day except for the service in the chapel this morning, the ice not being fit to go down on the lake. There has been a regular epidemic of tonsillitis around here the last two or three weeks. Stevman had a touch of it last week. It didn't keep him out of school, but he had a pretty bad looking throat for several days. He is, however, about all right again. The baby is quite good again. Bonnie was bound that she had worms. So we gave her a worm-tablet on Monday and then a physic, but she didn't pass any. However, I think the purging did her good as she has been better ever since. Carolus began working for Mr. Fricke, the young German baker, again yesterday. They fell out when Carolus quit him last spring, but recently made up and now are quite thick again. The two of them are bringing their girls here tonight to play crokinole and other games. Bonnie is so

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far reconciled that she made some cake and is making some coffee to-night to pass around. Carolus is quite a ladies' man. Herman is a little shier, but will get there just the same. He had considerable trouble back in the fall with his feet, being threatened with fallen arches. I had to get some special shoes for him, since which time he has been all right. Eileen was promoted up last week from the 4th to the second class in her room. She said her teacher pointed to her and said "There's our good adder." She makes me give her sums every night and I give them to her from 20 to 25 numbers deep and she adds them up rapidly, rarely ever making a mistake. She is equally as good also in reading and in spelling and gives promise of being a scholar. Catherine can dress and undress herself any time. She can put her shoes and stockings on herself and lace up the shoes properly and tie them. She doesn't tie bows, but she can tie them in knots that will defy coming open. I was in hopes of getting considerable preaching to do this month to take out my income, but it doesn't seem to be coming this way. So I am about

down on the rocks. So don't get excited and don't
be misled if you shouldn't hear from me
next week. It may be nothing more serious than
the want of a postage stamp. But I must close.
With love to all and all good wishes, I am

Most sincerely yours,
Carroll St. Little