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Dear Mother:

As I am at home this afternoon and not especially busy I will try to write you a few lines again. I preached at Bridgeport this morning. The weather was very cold and there were not more than 25 or 30 out, but we had a very nice service. I walked down there this morning and came back through Kitchener by street car. Although the thermometer was hovering around zero I didn't mind the cold and rather enjoyed the walk. I am to have charge of the Christmas Service down there on Monday night, the 20th. Everything looks very Christmasy now. We have 2 or 3 inches of snow on the ground, and cutters are running everywhere, although the automobiles are not yet out of commission. Our cold spell came on us rather suddenly. It was comparatively mild yet on Thursday. I went down town that day on the 15th of December without an overcoat. I met Dr. Woelker our M. C. H. and he said: "Dr. Little, you are the champion of the West wind," which I took as quite a compliment. The fact is that I am thoroughly toughened to the weather and can go anywhere barehanded and bareheaded. We closed our Seminary College, and College School Friday for the Christmas

holidays which will last to Jan'y 3rd. Nearly all the boarding students are away and the building over across looks desolate and forsaken. But in the mean time we are enjoying a little rest. The Perders family are spreading out since the old man died. They spent over \$200 on new rugs, bought an expensive Chesterfield set, and are making the money fly in various ways. Susan or Suzanne as she styles herself and two of the four boys who were away are spending the winter at home; and Suzanne and Hilda are taking music lessons. There will likely be parties galore there this winter. The old man is no longer there to stick terror to the root. I mailed you last night some snapshots of the whole family in installments taken and finished by Cavalus. I sent them to every member of the family except Pearl. Tell her the reason I didn't send any to her was because I am sending her Maclean's Magazine for the year, and she will have opportunity to see the pictures at home anyway. I think I will enclose in this letter another picture of Florence. It was taken inside and was so dark that it was rejected as unfit for the group and new ones were taken later; but I think it is angelic in its expression, and prefer it to the other pictures of her. She had a hard fall one day last week and was pretty nearly knocked out for awhile; but she is thoroughly all right again. She is the greatest climber for her age that I ever saw. She gets upon chairs and on tables and on everything else that is climbable and has no fear at all, not even now since she had her fall. On Thursday of last week we had the honour of having two of the Cabinet Ministers of the Dominion Government address our students in the Chapel. They were the Hon. W. D. Tuler, Minister of National Revenue and

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The Hon. Mr. Lapointe, Minister of Justice. Both made very nice speeches. The Christmas Card is out, but as it is not especially interesting I will not forward it this time. It has one reference to me in it, but as this is in Pennsylvania Dutch you would probably not understand it anyway. I may reply to it in the same language. In that case I will send you the paper. I had nice weather and a fine trip last Sunday to Unionville and Sherwood, under the new schedule which they made at my suggestion when I was down before, I was able to get back home Sunday night. I don't know whether I will have any preaching next Sunday or not. As it is Christmas I would rather stay at home with my family. Mrs. Hawke who lived diagonally across from the Berduxes died early last week from a stroke. She went away from home in order not to see the Berdux funeral when it passed, and here was the very next one, just one week afterwards. There are a good many cases of small pox in the twin cities now and a general vaccination of the children in the schools. I didn't think it necessary for any of ours to be vaccinated. The Public School children will get out for Christmas on Thursday; Maria on Wednesday from the Collegiate. Well, I wish you one and all a very happy and blessed Christmas.

With love to you all, I am

most sincerely yours,

Carroll H. Little.