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My dear Lois.

It is a long time since I have written. My last letter to you was from Hamilton where it was so hot. From there I got a wire to go to a little town called Chesley up on the Georgian Bay line near Wiarton - so I was busy in Toronto all day Sunday and was in Chesley on Monday. It was a compressed air pumping deal for the town water supply and as they had suddenly run practically out of water and had just had a bad fire and as I had to do all the engineering (for the first time in my experience) on the spot I had my hands pretty full. Added to this it seemed necessary for me to

keep the councillors supplied with cigars and to do this I had to smoke myself. For four days I never had a cigar out of my mouth - half the time unlit but even at that I smoked over 20 in those four days until I got the order. Then I had a hard time to get the order put into shape to go through quickly, ~~and~~ and by Saturday night the gale struck me. I had Laryngitis, tonsillitis and everything with a hard name that you can think of which lasted till tonight. I think its over now but the next town council job that comes up may go to the man, it won't come to me if I can help it.

On getting back I found your letter of the 27<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> waiting for me.

Thank you for the letters, the clipping about "Aviation week" and the picture showing you you are to be found in Metis.

We are all very excited here over our coming "Aviation week" which will start the day after tomorrow.

I am awfully sorry that I shall have to miss the first few days but I hope to get back on Saturday.

They are to hold the meet at Weston and I expect to find about 75000 people there besides myself next

Saturday afternoon.

Specials will be run from all the near by towns and I expect that the audience will be about twice what it was in Montreal on account of the numbers who will come in from the surrounding country.

I hope ~~Anna~~ is quite well again.  
Did she go down to Metis?

I have been thinking of three dates  
for going down myself July 29<sup>th</sup>,  
August 5<sup>th</sup> and August 12<sup>th</sup>.

I think the ~~the~~ middle one of these  
will probably be most convenient for  
me. I am consulting Mother about it  
but as a matter of fact it will probably  
all depend up how the work goes.

I hope you have been enjoying yourself  
and that you have had lots of more im-  
portant things to do than to wonder  
why I was so long in writing.

All best wishes and all best love  
and may this month pass as quickly  
as last one for at the end of it comes  
METIS AND LOIS if the fates are willing  
Affectionately Yours, Edward S. W.

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