

Will at home

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My dearest Boy,

I paid a visit to Mrs Thompson on Tuesday. she is a wonderful woman, who like the prophets of old believes so much in God, that nothing seems to her, or is, impossible - She lives without a servant - The boys work at all sorts of things, to earn money for their education - I have had wonderful experiences abroad & at home - The eldest one goes to China this fall as a missionary - The second takes his medical degree this spring, then his diploma - & - China as a medical missionary - The youngest is in his first Colly of Alberta to work on a farm all summer - going out on a small way job for the C.P.R. & then saving his passage money - Well Mrs I was asking all about you she says she has been most greatly interested in you ever since she saw you she thinks God wants you to be in some special way his servant - I is leading you

in these ways - she wants to know all about - the farming Dr. Thompson says if he had not been a physician he wd best have liked to be a farmer. If you have time write & tell Mrs. F. - about your metis life - she is so wonderful - 48 Inc Gill College Avenue -

Everything I have been reading seems to be about how fine out-of-door work is - & how many saints & prophets have got ready in that life to do great things

So I am comforted about you my lad my dear lad. But the one other condition all-ways holds - "To do it - with all thy might" - & to be not weary in well doing

I will send the plants today or tomorrow - & I suppose you will be notified when they arrive, likely brought down to the W.O. =

You come in well if you can help Mr. Tuckey, when he is not as strong as farmer I hope spring will do him good - I liked Josiah one reason. It was in ev er ce rt ain ly - I am so glad that you are happy - I know that you

were miserable this last year²
or two. & I was heartely sorry
for you, but - I thought the
only way was to try & get you
through school - Well I was
just as unhappy as you, in
all you suffered - my lad!

I saw a man driving a
country cart - up our street -
lately - he ^{was reading a book} picked
up some thing - with eagerness
it was a book - but only
one of those advertisement
things - which he threw down
in a minute, disgusted - I
have often seen the milk men
going home, each sleep in a
book or paper - I think I wd
quite like driving, even a
manure cart - if the wheel
was the right way - The sky
is so blue - & the white gleam-
ing fields so bright - the sun
sheds so friendly & warm -

Yes I am so thankful
that wretched misery & trying
to do what you ever not for
far - are over, & that you feel
a new person - Thank God
for it - my son - thank him as
you work & walk & drive.
& the happiness will grow &
increase till you know you
have the peace of God -

which passes all understanding - It is only the Holy Spirit - that can keep your heart thus - but He is ever desirous to dwell with us - Good day I feel to write to you - good that the minister is friendly - call on & see him face & then I get his ideas of life.

Of course I am happy when I get good news of you all - my children - Mr Dubuc has given us a very good account of Bernard - so I hope he will soon be promoted to a better place, & more pay.

I will send you soon an amusing set of letters on the subject of eating & drinking send it on to B.G. - which you have done with it - I notice what old Gen. Boall says & Sir Oliver Lodge - I am sure Mr Creary (is this right?) will like to see it - I did get you Monday -

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Lovingly
Mother

I asked for your Dr Bracon yesterday he is not much better, walks about the house - but cannot speak - you can write to him if you like now -
Therese & Co.