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# Bala Falls Hotel

Bala, P. O., Muskoka.

THOS. CURRIE,  
Proprietor.

BALA, August 4th 1905.

Dear Grandmama,

The saying is "better late than never" but I was awfully sorry to not have written you a birthday letter on the 29th July. I now take the opportunity of wishing you many many happy returns and trust that they may all be spent in the old time way at Arctis. I remember so well how we all used to troop over and try to make it happy for you. I miss Arctis at times but after all one cannot always stay for two months a year and one has to make a start in life sooner or later. The country here is certainly very pretty in spots. All lakes and small islands each island with its own little cottage and everything so neatly kept. In the evenings the lakes are covered with boats all lit up with different coloured lights and nearly everybody plays on a mandoline or guitar. Our work is interesting and not hard mentally although some days we feel quite like bed by eight P.M. We have a section here of 10 miles (i.e. five miles each side of Bala) so we are very central. There are some very pretty waterfalls here lots of water but



Beautifully Situated

Excellent Fishing

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they are not very high. The woods are nearly all composed of huge pine trees and hemlocks and are also full of all kinds of flies that seem to delight in making one feel miserable. The days are hot but the nights cool so it is very pleasant in that way. We have a cottage to ourselves and get our meals at the hotel. I have met some very nice people here and get a chance now and then to see them in the evenings. Every hotel, cottage, nook and cranny is crowded. This summer all through this district I believe on account of the the great heat in the cities. I hope all are well at- metis and that you are enjoying the best of health and the happiest of summers. I must close now as I have a little work to do before I turn in so once more regretting that I missed you on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

I remain

Your loving Grandson  
Canad.