

Acc. 1211

Little Metis

August - 8th 1903

Dear Father

It is a lovely day
& we have been working
hard for the hay
which we expect to come
off in about two weeks.
The bishop was preaching
yesterday & his teeth
did not drop out as
might have been expected
after last year. Grand-
mama was much delighted
with the sermon which
was quite wonderful.
I am writing particularly

to wish you many happy
 returns of the day but -
 I am afraid it is rather
 late in the day but -
 the time flies so fast -
 that I did not realize
 how soon your birthday
 was, here I stop for
 a minute to watch
 the interesting spectacle
 of Mrs Murray in
 balling costume
 I hope you are
 having a lovely
 time in Norway
 the poppies
 are not out
 yet - but -
 we have
 had 2 or 3



roses & I do not think
 there will be many
 more. The storm
 we had here last-
 Monday was most-
 exciting it was
 raining hard on
 the evening before
 coming home from
 church but no one
 was prepared for
 such a howling storm
 & consequently the
 next morning there
 was the biggest-
 smash up ever
 known in Metis there
 were 21 smashed
 between macniders
 & cattles. I expect

now that - mother will
 be sorry she had not-
 sold the old red punt
 as she wont get much
 for it - now it & one
 of the Haques were
 smashed to kindling
 & the Dawson's could
 not have been cut
 more neatly in half
 if any one had tried
 to. Oran & Jams
 cat-boat - was badly
 smashed in the bow
 & Oran went in after
 2 boats & saved them
 from being broken.
 Thanks for the Punch
 you sent - me give
 my love to Conrad &
 hoping you are loosing
 your headaches love to
 yourself, from Dor.