

Rep. to

Alice

John & Anne

9 of Victoria Street

Sherbrooke

July 1st 119-

Dearest Edward

I am afraid my letters are
most irregular, but I really
cannot help it, some days I am
so tired when all my duties
are over, that I simply cannot
write -

I was so glad to get your first
letter yesterday - it seemed so
very long - just a month - I am
delighted that you had such
a nice crossing - it sounded as
if you were really having a
nice rest - the concerts must
have been good.

There is little to tell yr of, the days are all much alike - I took Mabel + her mother in law to tea at the golf club the other day.

On Sunday I had the three kids up on the hill most of the day, as Mrs M. was out. Ann loved lying under the trees, and they were all really very good - but they keep yr on the hop - Ann talks + scolds away to herself now - & she is so sweet in her bath, she tries to get the sponge, & gets so excited over it - I think Aliss + John are getting a little more obedient, but they are bad - last night they ran away & did not come back till 4.15 -

- Aliss & John

and as they have had so many
spankings I thought I would
try something different. So I
said "nothing but bread + milk
or tea" "nothing sweet" — they were
very peeved. To night - Alice
says. "O! Mrs Mathews - nothing
sweet for my tea please" in lady
tones. really it did sound so funny.
John is always in trouble he dropped
one of the weighing weights - on his toe
last night + tonight he fell on
a stone + gave himself a
awful whack under his chin
a lump as big as an egg, as
well as a bad scratch.
Alice bases him a great deal

but he got even with her the other day, by pulling out the biggest handful of hair you ever saw. They are all sweet I only wish I was free to do more for them.

Today being a holiday, and as nobody had asked me to do anything, I thought I would take the kids for a weepicnic, we went up the Nagoy river, about half way to Rock Forest and had tea there - they seemed to enjoy it - but we all miss you for picnics - our swims!!

Last night I was running down town to get some stamps & got a "flat" in one of my front tires

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at about 9.30 o'clock, fortunately
I was able to get a man from
the garage to fix it —

I have not had a word
from Nami, so I conclude that
she is not coming to see me —

I would be very glad if it
would be possible for you to get Aunt
Charlotte to engage a nurse for
3 children somebody not too young
& with good common sense —

I am told however that it is almost
impossible to bring anybody across,
is this the case? — please let
me know, as I will keep my
eyes open here, for somebody —

I would not object to a general call
but they must have good references.

Braun cleaned the cellar the
 other day & it looks quite respectable

I have engaged a woman to come
 & do my washing, to see if my
 things will be better kept - She
 did better today - or very well
 I should say

I was picking the strawberries
 tonight some of them are enormous
 and the garden is lovely. I do
 wish that Eva or Nami could
 have been here, when everything is
 so pretty -

Gordie & Flor have been to
 Quebec. I had a card from
 G. yesterday - I do not know if
 they are back yet or not -

Somebody told me that Kitty
was coming to Sherbrooke - I have
not heard yet where she is staying.

The Gilmans came at last
night - Alice & John went to pay
them a visit today, but I have
not seen them yet. I was to
try to go down tonight -

When you come back, I want
to get somebody trust worthy to look
after the children, & go for a
holiday with you, and just
have a wonderful time all
over again -

I hope that you are getting
along well with your work and
that you are having a lot of

for too. too bad that Naomi
left so soon —

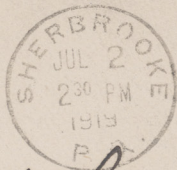
It is thoughtful of you to send
me such proper letters, I can
give them to any body to read!!
Now & again you might write
a little extra sheet with a
few loving & sentimental remarks!

It is warm, & I must try and
write a line to your mother —

With a great deal of love,
and hoping to hear from you
soon again

Your affec. wife

Lois —



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