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Loen, Norway,
August 3^d 1903

My dear Poppy,

I often wonder how you are getting on at Metis - whether you have made many boats and whether you have been a successful gardener.

I have seen a great many row-boats since I came to Norway, but not many sail boats. The Norwegian people are very fond of the sea and have a great many ships. Many of them too go as sailors on British ships. They are great fishermen and catch a great many fish. Wherever we go they give us fish three times a day - salmon, trout, flounders and other kinds. It is very good, but we get it rather too often. Where we are staying at present there are a

many mountains, some of them
more than 6,000 feet high. But
to-day we can only see them
now and then as they mostly
covered with clouds. It has been
cold and wet all day and we have
stayed in most of the time, reading
and writing letters. There are some
boys about your size at the hotel
and they have been out rowing and
fishing nearly all day in the rain.
I should think their papas & mammas
would be nervous as the water is very
deep quite close to the shore of the
fjords. Fjords I should tell you are
branches of the sea which run away
inland. Several small steamships have
run in to-day and there is a lovely steam
yacht from England anchored just a
little way from shore.

When I get back to Canada I must show
you on a map all the places that we have
visited. To-morrow we are going still
further north, no matter whether it rains
or not. Hoping that you have been a very
good boy and very helpful to mother
— your loving father.