

Mill at Linton

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My dearest Son,

I am thinking
of you far the many cloudy
days with only glints of
sunshine, have vanished
& today the full sunshine is
bright, & though the leaves are
mostly gone, enough remain
on the bushes & in sheltered
nooks to ^{equal} counterbalance
the green grass, & if only
the blue sea were added
what a splendour of
space & colour. I hope
you are walking along
the shore & your soul
stretching out to the great
maker of all. as Mr Paddy
said this A. M. a great
deal you have as in no
way clue to yourselves. you
had nothing to do with
the mystery of your birth,

if you did not arrange that
love sh^d wait for & re-
ceive you when you did
not ^{come} - but that the
splendour of sun & sky &
plain & mountains were
all spread out for you
to enjoy - These are free
gifts - God gives also the
harvests - but man
must sow the seed. God
says "you shall be saved"
this He gives - but there is
your side - "Believe on the
Lord Jesus Christ"

God says
"I will give you a crown
of life" but
you must be

"Faithful unto death"
God says "you shall receive"
but you must
"Knock &"

It is with all the big prom-
ises - This is true & we often
forget - "Eat" - "I give you
your soul shall
live" etc

There are 3 great words in the
N. T. about character

Righteousness - Love

The two in Life together
first - planning
together to make the
stream of the blessed life
Think over this a bit.
Righteousness, that passion
to grow like Jesus Christ
Love, not a sentimental &
selfish desire, but the love
that desires to give & serve
Did you read John 13th?
like that -

I sent you a book
on Astronomy, which I
thought you might
like & two poetry books
in case you wanted to
read them at your lesson
for a change. If after you
read a few chapters of the
Astronomy book, you are
not interested, just send
it on to B. G. he will like
it & I was not advising you
to go on unless you like it.

I found it fascinating, &
you have so much sky to
watch, as well as the old
patriarchs -

I will look out a book
of adventures as you
suggest. Likely there are
some in the Metis library
I write to Mr Brill &
about a week past but
he has not answered
you might mention that
I wd be glad to hear from
him -

I sent you the tunic &
sash in a parcel - The keys
in an envelope & are they the
ones you wanted? Also
\$1.25 ^{9.50 in stamps} in a letter - Please
say if all arrived safely?

Winslow has left his
Western position & has been
here for a week or two,
but leaves tomorrow for
a new venture - he goes to
Sherbrooke & then to Huron
& will be everywhere in
the near future - as he is
travelling for a big concern

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This will be good exposure
for him. I fancy -

G. M. is very well &
takes quite long walks
every day. Mrs. Malson
still very troubled with
her leg, but - looks well -

I fear that B. G. is turn-
ing his mind to our great
West. - If he goes there
next summer, he can
look out a farm for you
or at least a good region
to have it in - a man
trained at McDonald College
& with energy, is sure to
get on ^{as I say} there, & with industry you
can get up the general edu-
cation ^{required} in 2 or 3 years
the course can be 2 or 4 -
when you get a regular
degree. The immediate
point - is to find a good
place, where you can

get the needed schooling
or tutor wd do, a little
later when you get hold
of methods, but that is a
little difficult to get out
of a system - However
it will all clear up as we
go on - I am delighted
with the improvement I
see in your writing &
you spell & express your-
self better also, that shows
that you are controlling
yourself better, & not
as the boys wd say, "letting"
yourself fly off the handle

I wd not mind going
out to the West for a year
or two - But these are
schemes & dreams - & you &
I have plenty of good hard
work to stick to in the
mean time - & conquering
this is to grow strong -

Lovingly
Mother