

Moose Lake 22<sup>nd</sup>

Dear Sir

I Received your kind  
and welcome letter of  
recomendation which i am  
hankfull for it will be of  
great service to me at present  
I am working for Mr Patton  
the asst- foreman on section  
fifteen of the Canada Pacific  
Railway as a man. i am  
getting \$25 and my board a  
month which is very good as  
a beggining i am leggining  
to feel at home ~~just~~ the first  
two weeks i worked as a maver  
i the rock cuts which i thought  
Pretty hard work but this is  
100 per cent better I have just



written to father telling him  
i received your letter that  
is great crowds of men leaving  
hr and going further west on  
the syndicate and to the  
rocky mountains as the road  
is being started west of  
Winnipeg Mr Patton talks of going  
there in the fall and probably  
if i stay here i might go  
with him Dear Sir if there is  
any information you would like  
to send it will feel greatly obliged  
of it

I Remain your

Humble servant

Mr. Herbert  
Moose Lake

Rat Portage  
Via Winnipeg

A. Herbert  
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