

Aug 31. 1881  
Walesville Bow River

Dear Father,

There is a chance of sending out letters with some prospect of catching a mail from McLeod on the 4th or 5th so I write a line to let you know that I am quite well. I got back last night from a short trip with parties into the Bow River Pass, & am just about to start down the river now in the boat for Calgary, & then for the Blackfoot crossing & mouth of Belly River. My wagon is going round to Calgary & will meet us tomorrow night at the place. At Blackfoot crossing I hope to meet McCormell, &

we will meet once more, & return to Waehead together from the junction of Bow & Belly Rivers. The Bow River is large & reputed to be quite good for boats so that I anticipate a pleasant trip. I may have a chance of writing again before reaching McLeod, but very possibly may not, so you must not think it strange if you do not hear again for some time. The mosquitoes are now about done, & the nights turning cool & very frosty. I suppose you are now all getting back to Montreal again & before two months I hope to be able to turn my face westward.

W.M.D.

for the winter. Waleyville is on the  
Assonetine river & is a little mission  
(Catholic) station with a church & school, under  
J. M. Dargol a son of the well known Rev.  
Missionary. The town consists of the church &  
three houses, besides a number of Indian log  
cabins scattered about, but none for the winter.  
Vacant as the people are away in the winter  
hunting.

Love to all

Your affectionate son

George