

Montreal Nov 21st 1886

Dear Uncle Aunt & Cousins

As I have not written you for a long while thought I would take advantage and pen you a few lines we are all well at present hoping this will find the same we have been expecting a letter from you everyday in answer to the one Lucy wrote when she arrived home but have been disappointed we are very busy at present pulling in our Winter crop of fruit & Veg and shortly will commence to kill and Pack sheep and Poultry you will perhaps not understand what I mean about packing so I will explain about Christmas week I buy about 400 sheep and Lanks and six men will slaughter them in two days. Then I leave them to hang out doors one night and they get froze through so that if you want to cut them you would have to take an axe but by cutting them when frozen the meat chips off every blow you fire like flints. Poultry we freeze and pack in Bits and Boxes some if kept frozen until middle of March. one have sent you a present of a Bal of our Lanadien Apples. They are good keepers one shipped them by Lake Superior and they left here on the 19th Friday I have paid freight to Liverpool could not pay freight any further but gave orders to have them sent on to you by cheapest route enclosed will find Bill of Packing and Envelope with agents Name and Address on in Liverpool so that if the apples does not reach you as soon as this letter write to agent in Liverpool & enclose your letter but keep your Bill of Lading until you receive apples. Hope you will enjoy them as much as I enjoyed sending them glad that Lucy found you out and hope that I only live long enough to visit you once. We have snow on the ground and sleighs have commenced running. I shall draw to a close by wishing you all good Bye write soon no matter how short Lucy joins in sending

Love from your affectionate

Nephew & Neice & Cousins

G .L. Bridgeman