

Dec, 1907.

Calgary furniture co, Ltd	50.00 on a/c	\$	¢
J. H Ashdown & Co Ltd	pd 50.00 on a/c	116	.90
Water works	3.68 pd	3.	68
Electric light	16.38 pd	16.	38.
P. Burns & Co. Dec	27.25 pd	27.	25
Bagnall. C. Nov	40.00 pd	40.	00
G. H. Johnston. Dec rent	\$575.00	75.	00
Holt, Renfrew & Co. Quebec		34.	00
Hudsons Bay Co	100 on a/c	149.	05
Pacific Cartage Co.			.25.
Linton(?) & Hall.	10.00 pd	10.	00
Oliver Bros.	50¢ pd		50
Benson & Houlton.	15.75 pd	15.	75
Rodell Bros & Lake.	5.00 in full.	5	00

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Calgary Furniture co.

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January, 1908.

Dt.      Calgary Furniture Co.      Cr.

J. H Ashdown & Co.

Hudsons Bay. Co.

George H. Johnston,  
Rent.

Electric Light,  
Calgary W.P.Co.

P. Burns & Co Ltd.

C. Bagnall.

Linton & Hall.

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Cr.  
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Holt. Renfrew &amp; Co.

Friday  
10<sup>th</sup> Jan, 1908

Up early. Sandow for legs, back still troublesome. Applied embrocation. Wrote John A Macdonald re Jack Dalton and his claims. Wrote strongly in Jack's behalf. Mailed book to Flora French dictionary and also English. Wrote Dudley, Dalton and others. Got C Bagnalls a/c. Walked out at 4.30 with Mays and Mrs Macdonell to purchase things. Max. 40° min 20°.

11<sup>th</sup> Jan 1908.

Up early. Max 42 min 28° Weather fine, wind west. Inspector Davidson called to see me at 11.30. He is en route to St Albert with his boy to school there. Wrote D.J Campell, de Veber & Sissons re organization of batteries of art and regts put it urgent to Campbell and Sissons Wrote John A. Macdonald re Daltons copper. ~~Walked out with Mays and Mrs Macdonell.~~ Retired at 12 midnight Sandow. Davidson called at 4.30

Calgary 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday Jan 08

Up early. Church at 11 AM Mays and the rest to church Sandow Max. 42°, Min 20°. D

Calgary 14<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>

Sandow twice to-day. Up early. Small mail today. Wrote John Dawson. Wrote Gen Byng re Stedman, Wrote Flora, and asked her to write to us. No letter from her since the day after Christmas. Office 10.15. Mail not sorted until 2 P.M. Min 18° above zero. Max. 36° Wrote Union bank re their letter of Saturday. A lot of letters and circulars.

Wrote Gus explaining why I did not send enough money to pay up my monthly simply because he did not send me statement in time. One a/c of Bertheaumes I never heard of.

Calgary 14<sup>th</sup>

Up early. Max 26°. Min, 16° above zero. Capt Gordon came to see me about his regt and the complaints of his former conduct when in CMR. Major Barnes troop. After a long talk it was decided that he must give me full particulars in a letter explaining all.

Mr. Gillis city clerk called to see me about a battery and I arranged that he should get a list of officers and men. I gave service roles to him. Wrote J.A. Macdonald re report on the Empire Group which is unfavourable also wrote him about coal. Wrote Martin about coal and iron that we have for sale in B.C. explained law to him. Wrote R. Pocock re the chances of a friend of his in Legion of Frontiersmen. Capt Mackie returned to town and goes out again on Thursday.

Calgary. Wednesday.

15<sup>th</sup> Jan, 1908.

Up early. Max. 38° min 0°. Cold North west wind signed document for union bank at 8% three months. The manager stated yesterday that it would be renewed at the end of that time. Wrote Galbraith. Got wire from Superior of the Convent that Flora is well and writing. Wrote magr Union bank, we expected inspector Davidson from Edmonton on his return to Maple Creek but he did not come. Capt and Mrs Mackie dined with us and gave us great pleasure. Mays sang a

lot in the evening. Her voice improving owing to the encouragement she gets on all sides. She is getting on well now and is nearly as good as ever. she will soon be up to her best form.

16<sup>th</sup>, Jan, 1908. Thursday

Up early. Min 28° max 38° Office at 10. AM. Capt Mackie has gone north to have a look at the rifle ass<sup>ns</sup> at Stettler and Red Deer. Mail small to-day  
Went to banquet at six thirty given by the exhibition committee (Dom- exhibition) Had with Deane to reply to the toast of the Dominion and Provincial gvts. Did not talk politics Sandow at 4.30 P.M.

17<sup>th</sup>, Friday

Up early Sandow Wrote Frank Harwood Forla, Richard, Hugh John re Steeles case R.J. Morgan, Butte. Wrote Arthur Duncan ask Walker to come tomorrow morning, to talk over an officer to take McMillans place. Max. 42°. Min, 6 above zero.  
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Calgary Friday Cont.

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Sandow as usual weather fine. max. 42° min 6° above zero. Phoned Elton to come over at 8.30 which he did and left a [sic] midnight Talked over the mines and Limits.

Calgary

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 1908

Up at 7.30 office at Ten. Colonel Walker called to see me about Major MacMillans resignation and the school. Weather fine. Min. 20° above Max. [blank] Col Walker will try and arrange to have Major Macdonald take the squadron in town and Gogarty take his. Simpson the new one. Sandow.

Calgary

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 08.

Up early. Sandow twice. All went to church to-day. Good service in mine. A lot of letters, one from de Veber about officers at Lethbridge and Stafford. Stewart who is to take battery is writing him about Stafford and several things which would be better to come through me. Read a lot at night and went to bed at 11.30. Min. 20. Max. 40°.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan 08

Up early. Sandow. Office on time. Wrote de Veber two letters. Cochranes letter asking me about the gold mines prospect of sale received. I answered and quoted John A Macdonalds letter Wrote de Veber two letters re officers of the Lethbridge battery. Wrote Colonel Edwards about the infantry regt. Mackie returned from Stettler and other points where he had been inspecting rifle assns. We went to MP dance and took the Mackies with us. Retd at midnight.

Calgary, Alberta.

Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> Jan 1908.

Up at 8.00 had not much rest. Office 10.30 Cold. Minm(?) 4° above zero. Max. 32° Wrote several letters, Mays and Mrs Macdonell went to a card party at the Catholic Church and returned at midnight. I read biographies until then. Sandow and went to bed at 1.30 o'clock.

Wednesday  
22<sup>nd</sup> Jan 08.

Up at 7.30. Sandow, Cold wind, min zero 0 last night. Max. 32°. Wind S. W. Wrote Col. Pilkington, Homer Dixon, Harold Cook. Rev Mr Mackintosh. A second one to Pilkington. Stewart called to see about the Lethbridge battery. The rest cannot go to Kingston for a course in gunnery. One wishes to resign a Mr Leon and I have asked for one in his place. I wrote de Veber about the whole thing and thanked him for the trouble he has taken about the gun shed. He told Stewart that there must be ~~some~~ no humbug by anyone trying to fit(?) over my head. I wrote Hardy in reply to his.

Calgary, Alberta  
23<sup>rd</sup> Jan 1908.

Up early Sandow. Max 38° min 10° above 0. Busy. Mail late Wrote Dick in reply to his letter of to-day. Wrote \_\_\_ re a plan for Duncan. There will be none until April Wired Duncan to that effect. Major. [blank] of Strathcona called to see me. He came in yesterday to send his wife east. \_\_\_ Capt Carstairs called to see us at 8.00 and remained until 11.30 PM.

Calgary, Alberta, Friday.  
24<sup>th</sup> Jan, 1908.

Sandow. Up early. Office at 10. AM. Gave Capt Boulanger leave to go east at once as his wife died a few days ago & he being the executor must settle the estate. Mackie asked us to go to the dance of the polo club. Mays telephoned that we would go with pleasure. Wrote Jim in reply to his of to-day and advised him to go on as usual with Mrs Harwood.

Calgary, 25<sup>th</sup>

Sandow. Up early. Max. 42°. Min 20°. Busy all morning. Called on the Rev. Dean Paget, bought tooth brushes.

Calgary 276<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup>

Sandow a lot, ~~called~~ church at 11.00 all went early. Max 49°, warmest day this winter. Min, 20°. Mr Vibert called at night.

Calgary 27<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, 08

Up early. Sandow, Wrote all day in the office did not go home to lunch. Letter from George, Conan, Viv, Col Edwards, Majr Belcher CMG, Flora, brig Gen Macdonald I wrote. I replied to all. Snow fell last night. Max. 32°. Min 18° Did not go out today after office. Read until eleven.

Tuesday Calgary  
28<sup>th</sup> Jan, 08

Sandow. Office at 10.15 Capt Armstrong called with the plans for the house at Ottawa for the rifle teams of Alberta. Very nice plan. Wrote Northern Bank re a letter of Barnes' about Mapsons rent collection, Wrote Mjr Barnes too. Wrote Chas Gigot in reply to his.

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Calgary Tuesday Tuesday.  
28<sup>th</sup> Jan, 1908, Cont.

saying he could not come but his sister could asked the sister to come and stay over with Mays for a few days. Wrote Herald and enclosed five dol cheque. Wrote Daily News asking to have more attention in delivery. Wrote Mrs Harwood, 108 Sherbrooke St west and CA Harwood New York Life Building, St James St. Montreal. P. Que. to get him to let me know what kind of policy (Insurance) I have as I took the Federal life one in a hurry and went of [*sic*] to the Boer war. Remained in Office from 10.30 until five (5.30) P.M. dined at 6.30 Sandow twice to-day. Had just retired to bed when we heard a dull heavy crash outside in the yard. Did not find out what it was.

Calgary. Wednesday.  
29<sup>th</sup>. Jan 08.

Up early. Sandow. The noise in the yard last night was caused by some scoundrel or scoundrels breaking the gate of our yard. Ordered it to be repaired at once by Benson & Houlston Ltd. Wrote Constantine in reply to his letter re his son. Wrote Colonel Edwards approving of the 8 companies for the Edmonton regt. letter from Ottawa that there is no use applying for a corps before Sept. Wrote Henry J Morgan for celebrated Canadian of 1860 and second vol. Canadian women. Went home at four o'clock and read the papers. Mr Elton called to see me with a report of mineralogist of BC. Think young J. left the gate open and as it obstructed the sidewalk someone in [*next page*]

Calgary. Wednesday  
29<sup>th</sup> Jan, 08.

anger must have kicked it shut and in doing so broke the hinges. Max. 20° Min 8° above zero.

Calgary 30<sup>th</sup> Jan, 08.  
Thursday

Up early. Sandow as usual. Office at 10.30. No official mail. Min 8° above zero. Raw weather snowed ¼ in yesterday. Several applications for courses at the Schools of instructions in the east. The Highland regiment has been refused for the present. Got back home at lunch and did not return to the office as there was nothing of importance to do this PM. Long distance telephone message from Dr Stewart who ~~went~~ goes down to Kingston tomorrow asking me to let

Sergt Silliker(?) go too and to send him his transport requisition. Read all evening when there was a chance. Min. 20° above.

Calgary, Friday  
31<sup>st</sup> Jan, 08.

Up early. Sharp wind. 6 below zero min. [blank] max [blank] Sent transport to bring Arthur Duncan to Lethbridge and sent him letters of introduction to Henderson, Strand(?). H Steaman(?) and B. Grier. Telegram stating that the school could not be granted and asking if April will do. Of course it will not Left office at 3.30 took my pension declaration to Mr F. C. Lowes addressed to the Comptroller. Read until 11.30 at night and retired at 11.45

## February

Calgary, Saturday.  
1<sup>st</sup> February 1908.

Up early. Office at ten. Went up town to post my pension certificate. Did so. Colonel Walker called to see about raising money enough for the school, Military I approved of his trying to do it, and he went up to see about it. Max. [blank] last Min. 2. below zero last night, 12° above at 9 AM. Sandow.

Calgary, Sunday.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Feby 08.

Up early weather fine zero. 0. Min. Max 20° above zero. Went to church at 10.15 early. half dol in plate. Afternoon father Barrette called to see about a cadet corps for the RC boys. Letters from Forla. Went to bed at Eleven OC (11) Sandow & clubs.

Calgary, Monday.  
February 3<sup>rd</sup> 08.

Up early. Sandow & clubs. The king and heir apparent of Portugal assassinated yesterday in Lisbon and also the brother of the latter. The queen tried to save them and had a narrow escape. I got my cheque to-day. Paid all a/c Sent in in full or in part. Went to the banquet of the Y.M.C.A to hear Messrs Budge and Sayer Ailner(?) addresses on work done by the ass<sup>n</sup> Left at 10.15 arrived home at 11.05(?).

Calgary, Tuesday, 08.  
4<sup>th</sup> Feby, 1908.

Up early Sandow. Office 10. Wrote Col. Edwards in reply to his private note. He wishes me to select off<sup>rs</sup> of infantry. I have declined to do so. Pointed out that Majr Beales(?) position of chief of police prevented him from taking a majority or commission.

Calgary, Tuesday

4<sup>th</sup> Feby Cont.

Mays in bed with bad cold. Mrs Macdonell has one but getting better the two children Gertrude and Harwood the same. Read myself sleepy from seven P.M until midnight. Min 6° ~~below~~ max 20° above zero. cold north west wind

Wednesday  
5<sup>th</sup> Feby, 1908.

Up early. Cold raw day snow fell once inch last night. Min. 10° below last night. 0 at 10. AM Sandow. Mays still in bed. The children are kept in the house. Wrote Colonel Evans about Bell. Wrote Carstairs about his application and about Willcocks, etc. Max 10° above 0. Mrs Macdonell went to the C. Club party ret'd at 11p AM. Two fire alarms one false at 11. PM. Sandow. Read Dr Conan Doyles works.

Thursday  
6<sup>th</sup> Feby 08.

Up early. Office 10. AM. Wrote some letters and then at 12.30 went by cab to the station and met the Misses Gigot from High River brought them to the house. We Mays, the Misses Gigot, Mr and Mrs Lillie, Miss Lillie & Miss McGwire and self went to the 15<sup>th</sup> light H ball. They all enjoyed themselves very much I took Mrs Walker into supper and afterwards finding that Miss McGwire was left out, took her into supper also. We came home after the last dance. House very comfortable when we returned Mr Lowes took Miss McGwire home and generally proved very civil to all the rest. Max. 0. zero Min zero 0

Calgary, Friday.  
7<sup>th</sup> Feby. 08.

Up early, weather as follows. no wind Minimum. 0° last night. Max. 20°. Hoar frost on the trees. Mays knee slightly sprained coming home from the ball. the ladies slept late. Office 10.00 went home to lunch. Saw the Misses Gigot off to High R. by train at 6.45 Do not feel well tonight. Retired. Sandow.

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Feby 08

Up early. Office at 10. Wrote many letters attended to official a/c. Letter from Gen arranging to have camp 8 to 19<sup>th</sup> June Wired re school (provisional school) to be held 20<sup>th</sup> hope it will be all right. Paid several a/c by cheque. Min. 0 at night 20° above at 10. Max 20°. The Cunninghams rung Mrs Macdonell up and she went to see them escorted by Bagnall and wife and returned at 10.30 with same escort. Sandow.

Sunday  
9<sup>th</sup> Feby, 1908



Up early. Church as usual Mr Cunningham of Lethbridge went with me his wife went with Mays and Mrs Mac. They dined and supped with us. Mays and Mr C sang, G.H. Johnston called to see us in the P.M. Sandow. Retired at 11.30 Temperature 0– Min at 9. AM. 28° above at noon. Max–

Monday, Calgary.  
10<sup>th</sup> Feby 08

Up early. Sandow. Min. 12°. above max at 9.00 28° N. Wind bright pleasant day. Wrote G. Duncan and sent three letters of introduction to him for his [*next page*]

Calgary, Monday  
for his trip out here next month. Wrote him too. was invited to the Lincoln banquet in honour of the birthday of the great president. Snowed a little to-day afternoon. Max. 32°.

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Colonel SB Steele in a/c with CA Harwood Esqr. Messrs Light hall and Harwood. Avocats Montreal.

Dec.	1907	Dt.	Cr.
1 <sup>st</sup> .	Cash bal in bank.		2.87
7	Pension for Nov.	86.90	
“	Draft. from Col Steele,	50.00	
16	Postal order.	16.00	
18	Draft Bk of Montreal.	<u>125.00</u>	<u>277.90.</u>
			280.77

Paid			
7.	Fred L. Cassidy in full	24.25.	
“	Congregation de Notre Dame		
“	for Nov	18.40	
11	“ December	21.11	
12	Flora	2.00	
13	Quebec bank on note(?) Labelle	50.00	
16.	J.O.F(?) for December	5.85	
17.	On a/c of 404.86 Loan	25.00	
18.	Flora	9.00.	
“	Federal Life Insurance	121.68.	
“	The Standard	<u>2.50.</u>	<u>279.79.</u>
			<u>0.98</u>

January 1908		
	Cash balance in bank.	0 90
	Pension for December	86.90
	From Col Steele draft.	75.00.

Paid

Congregation de notre Dame	
For <del>December</del> Jan.	21.11
Flora	2.00
Quebec bank Labelle	50.00
J.OF for <del>Dec</del> January.	5.85
Gt West.	33.00
On a/c of 404 loan	25.00
Mrs Harwood.	25.00

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January 1908  
Calgary

Col SB. Steele, CB MV.O.  
for a/c with .  
C H Harwood.  
Jan 1908.

Cash bal in bank.	
Recd pension	86.90
Draft from Col Steele.	<u>75.00</u>
	161.90

Paid	
Labelles a/c in full	60.50
on a/c of loan.	25.00
J.OF.	5.35
Insurance G.W.	33.45
Convent about	20.00
Flora.	2.00
Bertheaume grocer	45.57
Mrs Harwood on a/c	<u>25 00</u>
	216.87
	<u>161.90</u>
	54.97

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To be(?)  
In a/c with Gus January. for Feby.

Pension.	86.90.
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	120.92

Paid for January		
on a/c of loan	25.00.	
J.O.F.	5.35	
Convent about	20.00	
Flora	2.00	
Betheaume [ <i>sic</i> ]	43.57	2
Mrs Harwood	25.00	120.92

February Do		
on a/c of loan	25.00	
J.O.F.	5.35	
Convent.	20.00	
Flora	2.00	
Mrs Harwood	<u>25.00.</u>	
	77.35	
Bertheaume	<u><u>42(?)</u></u>	
	120.92	

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**O.H.M.S.**

**Militia Form A. 234--(new series). 75,000-2-07.]**

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F. C.	✓	50.00	
Ash d.	✓	50.00	
HBC.	✓	100.00	
GHJ.	✓	75.00	
Electrical	✓	16.38	
Gus Graft	✓	75.00	
Burns.	✓	27.25	
Bagnall	✓	40.00	
P.C.C.			
Linton(?)& 11.(?)	✓	10.00	
Oliver Bros.	✓	.50	
Benson.	✓	<u>15.75</u>	
		459.88	
Rodell Bros	✓	5.00	

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Calgary.

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Albertan \_\_\_

Calgary

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