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Winnipeg,
MEMORANDUM FROM 1910.

Cheque No.
Colonel Lessard 4th Jan, 1911. re Saskatoon regiment.
WHP. Jarvis in reply to DOP(?) Doctor, do.

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January

Winnipeg

Sunday 1

Up at 8 AM. Max 26 ^{below} Min. 28 below Wrote all day. Rung up friends and wished them a happy New Year. Mays and I to supper at the Charly Bells Cold wind, bad weather.

Monday 2

Up at 7.50 AM. Max 24 below min 32.° below. Reception at Government House. The Military of the Winnipeg garrison went together A fine lot of officers turned out. They assembled at the mess of Strathconas Horse. A very cold wind, all day. Lieutenant Fraser S.H. brought up from the Garry club drunk. Placed him in close arrest Poor foolish chap. It appears that no steps were taken to ascertain why he left the 10th and the Indian Army. He was gazetted first. Too bad. It gives a bad impression to the public, and the Active Militia. Colonel Biggar went to govt House. I remained with the governor to the last.

Winnipeg Man.

Tuesday 3

Up at 8 AM. Max. 8° above. Min 28° below. Colonel Biggar called to see me and I invited him to come and see us Thursday morning at 8.30 since that I have asked him to dinner. Busy all day at confidential reports. Had young Critchley paraded before me about the neglect to take stock properly in the mess last month. I gave him some good advice. Sandow.

Wednesday 4

Up at 7.35 Max. 8.° B. Min – 18°B Busy all day. Very cold, a blizzard. Wrote up accounts. Mays poor girl busy sewing for the Children Will not rest. Always on the sacrifice for her children. I hope they will be grateful Sandow.

Winnipeg.

Wednesday 4 *[there are two printed days of Wednesday 4 January in this diary]*

Up at 7.30. Max. 8° below zero, Min 18° below
Major Munro called to see what could be done about lectures at the Institute and I said that I would help them.

Thursday 5

Up at 4. AM. Could not sleep. Then had a lot of Sandows developer and shaved. Went to bed and slept well until 7.30 AM.

Max. 2,° above Min . 14 below. Max. 2° above. Min 14° below Busy all day Several people congratulated me on my birthday, which must have appeared in the paper. Col. Biggar came to dinner at seven o'clock. After dinner the Burnhams, the Haslets, J.J. McHugh, ~~the~~ Mr Vibart, Captain Donnelly, - We played bridge until the clock struck eleven, then refreshed. I was all right. Sandow I had no time for

Winnipeg

Friday 6

Up at 7.30 Max. 8°A. Min. 22° below 0.

Busy all day. Finished Confidential reports. Wrote all afternoon Checked Miss Pennefathers work. It is very good Colonel Biggar called to say good bye. I spoke to him about the coal supply being insufficient, and he then told me that he would be glad if I would send him a comparative statement of allowances and expenditure. He leaves tomorrow by the Montreal train. Sandow a lot. I am quite thirsty at night, slight symptom of pain in small of my back.

Saturday 7

Up at 7.30 Max. 6° below. Min. 24° below zero

Busy all day gave orders to the Adjutant and to the Staff Adjutant Captain Ketchen, that the Squadrons here are to be trained as horse breakers Trainers are to swim horses in the summer over both the Red and Assineboine rivers that Lieut Arnott is to take charge of the acting adjutancy and be a couple of weeks with Capt Bell the present adjutant so as to get along at the duties of the position, that the training must be well up to date in everything. Ketchen to find out if the Winnipeg Street railway could give terms to the people of the military forces here who have to go far out to the range just bought and taken over, also for men of the corps who wish to go out to the new range.

I inspected the remounts to be handed over they are much improved. Gave orders to Ketchen and the adjt that the horses purchased in January last are not to be until further orders, ridden by recruits or officers and men attached for courses and are not to be changed when sold off to a man.

Winnipeg. Man.

Sunday 8

Up at 7.30. Max. ~~10~~ 0°. zero. Min 10° below zero

Busy writing all day. Wrote a lot. Did not attend church

Monday 9

Up at 7.30 Max. 4° below zero, Min 24° below. A blizzard started in the afternoon, very severe. Some of the officers of my course were delayed by the storms delaying the trains, a bad lookout. Inspection of remounts on Saturday last revealed a great improvement, the horses will be the best they ever had. Letter from the Chief of Staff re training. I have carrying mine out the same way.

Winnipeg,

Tuesday 10

Up at 7.30 Terrific blizzard. from North, Max 10. below

Min, 30° – Twenty four below zero at ~~ten~~ 8.30 AM. Busy all day. Courses going on but train delayed by the worst blizzard for years. Met a lady on the street and she had a badly frozen nose helped her to thaw it out, and wrapped her up afterwards

Wednesday 11

Up at 8.00 Max 16° Min 16° below. Busy. Johnston Miller came. J. Clark in for a course many others.

Winnipeg

Thursday 12

Up at 7.30 Max 16 below. Min 28°. Busy all day

Friday 13

Up at 7.30 Busy all day. ~~Max 28°~~ Min 16° below min 28° below zero. Busy all day. Told John Clark all a(sic) could about his work here

Winnipeg

Saturday 14

Up at 7.30 Busy all day in office and in study. Max. 10° below, Min. 30° below.

Sunday 15

Up at 7.40 Max. 30° Min. 10°

Max at 8.30 AM. 28° Min. at d(?) 28° Busy all day writing up Miss Hughes notes for her history or life(?) of Father LaCombe She has grossly exaggerated the affair but it is not her fault, she is influenced by a lot of bigoted priests.

Winnipeg.

Monday, 16

Up at 7.30. Max 6° Min, 6° below Max at 8.30. AM. 19° below. Busy all day. Wrote a great deal. Wrote ten sheets of foolscap in the evening. Mays, Flora and two young visitors Strutt and [next line] and Osborne played bridge.

Tuesday 17

Up at 7.30 Max - 6° above 0 Min 6° below zero. Temperature at 8.30 6° below. Weather getting milder did not sleep well. Busy all day. C L Shaw called to see about the book is on the whole pleased with it he says. Lt Col. Thomson called to see ~~the~~ about permission to use part of the drill hall once a week to prepare a company for the coronation of King George the 5th in June next.

Weather getting milder through sou. west wind

Winnipeg,

Wednesday 18

Up at 6.30 AM Sandow again, had no time for it a few days back.

Max. 6 above Min, 10° below – Temp at 8 AM is 6° above zero. Officers guest night, a very pleasant evening was spent. Dr. Good my guest, came home at, midnight. I was very busy all forenoon at confidential reports. Weather not so unpleasantly cold. Sandow a lot in the AM.

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Up at 7.45 Max ~~70°~~ 2° Min ~~10°~~ 10° Temp. Min and max at 8.20 10° below zero. Busy all day. Finished all the con- reports except 98th ~~Capt Donnelly came at night.~~ I have a good deal of bother about the different functions which I am asked to attend.

Winnipeg
Thursday 19

Up at 73. Max. 10° below zero. Min ten below. Zero. A lot of work. Colonel Hosmer called to see me. Donnelly came at night Wrote Mackie and others . Andrew Miller I enclosed to Captain Mackie. Sandow

Friday 20

Up at 7.45. Max. 0 – zero Min. 16° below – 0 zero at 8.30 AM. Went to the dinner of Camerons at Govt House. I sat opposite Sir Daniel. Bob Rogers on right Mr Chamberlain on my left

Winnipeg,
Saturday 21

Up at 7.30 Max. 10° Min 18° below Sandow a lot. Went to the dinner of the old timers of the city, a good speech by J AM Aikins, most eloquent on the subject of training the children.

Sunday 22

Up at 7.00 max 4°. above 0 Min . 16 below .0. Temp at 9.30 AM 14°. below zero. Went with Charley Bell to call on Colonel Irvine who is sick in hospital. He seems to be improving much. Sherrif Inkster was there. Mays sang last night, sang well, as usual.

Winnipeg. Man.
Monday 23

Up at 7.30 Max. 10° above. Min. 0° 4° above zero at 8.30 Busy all day at office wrote until 10.30 A.M. Mr and Mrs Haslett played bridge in the evening with Mays and Minnie. Went to bed at one o'clock

Tuesday 24

Up at 8. Max. 4°(?) ~~below min.~~ max 12° above 0. zero at 8.45 am. Min, 4°. Below. A nice day. busy all day. Snider called to see me and chatted a while. Invited me to the theatre but I could not accept. Got a nice letter from Arthur Duncan Vancouver and replied to it, heartily. He likes the place very much. Wrote Wayland enclosing the letter from Hussey-Walsh,

Winnipeg

Wednesday 25

Up at 7.30 Max, 8° above 0. Min, 10°. below zero. Busy all day. Wrote archivist at Edmonton, and Gwynne called at 8.30, Garner called at 12. o'clock. told him that I could let him have lectures only if he wishes He is pleased. To bed at one AM. 26th

Thursday 26

Up at 7.30 Max. 8° above. min, 10 below 0. Busy all day. Gwynne and Garner called.

Winnipeg
Friday 27

Up at 7.30 Max 2° below. Min 20° Temp 10° below at 8.00. Spent the evening at [ink smudged] at the Dr. Davidsons on Broadway west near Sherbrooke St. Very pleasant. good the booby prize a pack of cards at progressive bridge. We got home by a Portage ave and Broadway car Up early in the AM makes the candle burn at both ends. The Gwynnes called. They are on the way to the RM.C.

Saturday 28

Up at 7.30 Max. 16° above 0 Min. 6° below 0 Busy all morning inspected dinners kitchens rooms ordered careful ventilation of mens quarters. Donnelly came in the evening. Nice day. Aldous made an appointment with me for Monday P.M.

Winnipeg
Sunday 29

Up at 7.40. Max. 6° below Min. 14° below Strong wind. Wrote all day. Went to hospital to see Colonel Irvine, the dear old man is about the same pretty weak, has a cough and is thirsty.

Monday 30

Up at 7.30. Max. 4° above 0°. Min. 6° below 0 Busy all day. The governors secy phoned to say that His Honour Sir Daniel Macmillan would like Mays and me to dine at 7 and go to the theatre Mays had an appointment so we could not go, besides we cannot afford to mix in the set Sir Daniel has at his small dinners, they are mostly nouveau riche snobs, some of them detestable. Aldous did not appear on appointment.

Winnipeg,
Tuesday 31

Up at 7.30 Max. 10°. above Min 4° above.
Busy all day. Much routine gone into

February

Wednesday 1

Up at 7.30 Max. ~~14~~ 8°. above zero Min 14° below Carnival. and two medals to boy scouts ----- Brophy. Dinner at ~~o~~ mess, 34 present I spoke to them on the benefits of saddle fire, and of the good feelings existing between us, the Permanent officers and ~~and~~ the Active Militia I welcomed the officers who are going through courses.

Winnipeg
Thursday 2

Up at 7.30 A.M. Max. 4°. below 0. Min 26°- Govt House dinner to the officers of the Grenadiers. A very pleasant evening was spent. Sir Daniel MacMillan made a nice speech in proposing the health of the regiment. Ruttan responded. JAM Aikins spoke and dragged me to my feet. I spoke a Boy Scouts, militia, cadets Lord Strathconas trust etc.

Friday 3

Up at 7.30. Max. 8° below 0. Min. 24° below 0. Busy all day until 10.30 P.M. Lt Colonel O'Grady has passed the equitation test and will take over 90th at once. Ketchen present. O.G. is anxious to make a good corps of it again
Mays and the children had friends to bridge.

Saturday 4

Up at 7.30. Max 16 below. Min 26° below Busy all day.

Winnipeg
Sunday 5

Up at 7.30. Max. 16 above 0 min. 10° above 0. Busy all day Called on Col Irvine at hospital. He is holding his own. Sandow a lot.

Monday 6

Up at 7.30. Max. 18° Min 10° above zero. Capt. Dean, A.S.C called to see me about the courses for No 11. Co of the same. Military night at the Walker for A.S.C. a good burlesque, our box. the Major Sniders, the Dr Davidsons, the Mr(?) ____ , Mrs. Mac, Mr Vibart, all enjoyed it but Mrs. M. and were pleased. Sandow. a lot.

Winnipeg
Tuesday 7

Up at 7.30. Max. 20° above 0. Min 4° below 0
Busy all day working hard very busy. A "Colonel" Morris called to see me. He waited a long time and then came into my office. I then to my surprise found that he was a book agent selling a history of the Scottish clans. Mr Laren called to see me. His partner has died and ~~been~~ he has to settle up with the estate. Sandow.

Wednesday 8

Up at 7.00 Max. 12° above 0. Min 6° below 0

Busy all day. Suggested to garrison ball committee that bank people be asked to the ball and I mentioned Mr Hunter and Mr Vibart, as guests also. they being Inspectors. C.L. Shaw called to see me, and talked over name of the book. Sandow.

Winnipeg
Thursday 9

Up at 7. AM. Max. zero. 0'. Min, 12°.

Opening of legislature at 3.P.M The 79th Highlanders were on guard of honour and our escort was on. I went with Governor. Speaker elected first then the speech was read. I did not go to the speakers reception. There was a state dinner I attended, also a reception by Lady MacMillan. Both functions large Sandow

Friday 10

Up at 7.30 Max. 12° above. Min 2 below 0. Busy all day. Went with Mays and Mrs Macs to the Bryden Jacks and had a pleasant evening at bridge. I got the booby prize. The ball committee have their hands full. Sandow.

Winnipeg
Saturday 11

Up at 7.30. Max. 28 above, Min 0 – Busy all day. Had many orders to give about interior economy, and the dress of the short course men and officers Sandow. Wrote all afternoon and evening.

Sunday 12

Up at - 8.00 max. 30° Min. 20° above 0. Went to see Colonel Irvine Busy, he is still bright but I fear for him. Sandow wrote until nine. Donnelly came then. Sandow.

Monday 13

Up at 7.30. Max. 26° above Min 18° above 0 Max at 8.00 26 above. Fine day. Major Pinnock of the Australian forces called. I worked hard and wrote all day. Spoke about the Court martial and the ordnance. Gave orders that the practice of tipping servants is to be discontinued that is to say soldiers who perform a service. Sandow.

Tuesday 14

Up at 7.30 Max. 28° above. Min. 18° above 0. Very busy all day. Captain Gray arranging to get Frederick Villiers lecture started. He has got the central congregational church for the purpose and the lecture is to be on the twenty third. Instant. Major Pinnock of Australia who has ~~com~~ been on the Staff in Canada gave a lecture at the Military Institute on Australia and Lord Kitcheners defence scheme. It was interesting. A vote of thanks by the Lt Colonels Ruttan and Lindsay was moved and passed. Met Mr. Blum the advance agent of the Villiers lecture. He was surprised at the advance of D W Davis Sandow

Winnipeg,

Wednesday 15

Up at 7.30. Max. 30° above Min, zero. Busy all day. Wrote until midnight. Col Walker called to see us. Pd HBC, club, and attended to many things. Sandow

Thursday 16

Up at 7.30 Max. 18° above 0— Min 0. min at 7.45 2° above zero. Hard at work. Busy all day. Wrote at night. Gave Miss Pennefather a lot of typing to do. Sandow at great deal. Vibert called. Mays worried about the ball.

Winnipeg.
Friday 17

Up at 6.50 Max. 16 above Min 0—
Max at 7.45 10. above zero.
Busy all day Wrote a great deal. Mr Mair Junior, came to play bridge. Sat up until 12 midnight.

Saturday 18

Up at 7.30 Max. 10° above Min. 10 below 0 Min at 8.15 4. above zero. Fine day. Busy until one o'clock. Wrote all afternoon, and up to 11.30 ought to be tired. Mays to theatre with Flora to see Ed(?) Terry Ellens brother act. Sandow

Winnipeg
Saturday 18

Up at 7.30. Max. 10. above zero. Min 8° below zero. busy all day Evening at mess and a minute(?) in the institute. ~~saw Colonel Irving at Hospital he looks much better~~

Sunday 19

Up at 7.30. Max. 10° above min - 8° below Wrote all day long finished at, 9.00 and then went to the mess room ante room and had a chat with fellows. Got home at 12.00
Sandow. Called to see Colonel. He looks better

Winnipeg
Monday 20

Up at 7.00 Max 10° above min 8° below
Wrote in office and at home all day. Sandow a lot.

Tuesday 21

Up at 7.30 Max 26° above Min 4° above. Busy all day. Wrote many letters, left office at 6 AM. Adjutant reports that Macdonalds QMS has got the mess into debt at Eatons Demanded an explanation, there must be a change this cannot be permitted, nor is there any excuse for it. Sandow a lot

Winnipeg.
Wednesday 22

Up at 7.30 Max- 22° above Min 8° above 10° above at 8 A.M. Worked hard all day busy to the last. 11.30 P.M. Mays and I alone all evening.

Thursday 23

Up at 7.10 Max- 30° above Min 18° above 0.
20°. above zero at 8.20 AM. Busy all day wrote up a lot of correspondence. Wrote in reply to all invitations. Was chairman to Mr Frederick Villiers lecture on his experiences in war. Sandow in the AM

Winnipeg
Friday 24

Up at 7.45 Max. 34° above. Min 10° 24° above at 8.15 AM. Busy in office until 6. P.M. Wrote a note to Kennedy at Macleod Alberta. Mays had a few in to practice the Lancer for the military ball. All stayed until 11.30 Harwood got his nose damaged again A snow ball probably with a stone in it. Sent him to Vaux who took him to Dr Good. Sandow

Saturday 25

Up at 7.00 Max. 34° above min. 0. (zero) Busy all day. Capt Parsons called to see me. Major I.R. Snider gave a lecture on reminiscences of transport in SA War. It was very good a great success. Many were present. Sandow for limbs.

Winnipeg
Sunday 26

Up at 7.30 Max 6° above zero Min 14° below zero. Called on Lt Col Irvine. He sat up for the first time. Looks better. Wrote Manseau about Sitting Bulls surrender in 1887. Mr Milne called.

Monday 27

Up at 7.30 Max. 22° above Min. 10° above 8° below at 8.30 AM. Sandow.

Winnipeg
Tuesday 28

Up at 7.30. Max. 25° above zero. Min. 20° above zero. Busy all day. Laurie Wayland and others called to say a few words about military matters. Laurie is not pleased about the armoury which they are getting at Port Arthur. Wayland said goodbye. All were pleased with the ball,

March

Wednesday 1

Up at 7.30 Busy. Laurie called to say good bye, so did Snider. They were pleased. All are against reciprocity. I did not discuss it. Max 25°. Min . 20. above zero. Busy. Wrote in the afternoon, of(?) mailed papers. Sandow.

Thursday 2

Up at 7.30 Max. 24° above zero. min 2° below zero. Busy all day in the office Many worries private mostly, and some official Sandow.

Friday 3

Up at 7. AM. Max. 14° above min 2° below 0 Busy all forenoon and in the afternoon went with Mays to hear Colonel Cowans lecture on Paardeburg battle. It was good. I was asked to say a few words afterwards on the work of the Loyal women of South Africa. Sandow

Winnipeg
Saturday 4

Up at 7.00 Max. 22 above. 0– Min 2 above 0. Busy all day. Dixon went to Kenora to see about the company there. I went to the Institute and was asked to lecture in his place. I gave an impromptu one on the organization of the Plain hunters who went out after buffalo. I also answered the questions re horses, and the herd(?). Sandow.

Sunday

Up at 7.45 Max. 24° Min 14° above zero. Wrote most of the day then went to the hospital to see Colonel Irvine who I am happy to record is much better Mr Fisher called as we were leaving. Mrs Mackie came to supper. Sandow

Winnipeg.
Sunday 5

Up in the previous sheet.

Monday 6

Up at 7.00 Max. 28 above. Min. 8° above zero. Busy all day writing, and being interviewed by people(?) officers of the active militia who were at the course. All expressed themselves as pleased with it and that they had learned much. Sandow.

Winnipeg,
Tuesday 7

Up at 7.20 Max. 36° above zero. Min 8° above zero. Busy all day. Major Macdonald came to see me at my request about his application to be brevetted Lieut Col. He talked about his services, the arrant conceit of the man was enough to sicken one. He stated that he had nine months of misery, brought upon himself, although he does not say so. I wrote forwarding his

application saying that he had been doing well since the 23rd of November, the date upon which the letter from AG was read to him.

Wednesday 8

Up at 7. AM. Max. 40° above. Min 18° above. Busy as usual. Small mail from all points. Gave orders about the stable duties. I am not satisfied with them at all. Wrote Major Macdonell privately about the squadron. Guest night Mr Howe and Major Mitchell the guests I asked Too much music. Left at 11.30. Sandow

Winnipeg.
Thursday 9

Up at 7.15. Max. 20° above. Min 6° above Busy all day. In my hurry yesterday I made a mistake in the military law which as DOC I must correct. Mays and I went to the Hendersons. Minnie too and was enjoyable bridge. I was out of luck. 20 above zero at 8.30.

Friday 10

Up at 7.30. Max. 34 [*written over 30*]. Min 20 above Busy all day Wrote until 11.20 Sandow a lot.

Winnipeg
Saturday 11

Up at 7.15 AM. Max 34° Min 10 above zero. max at 8.24 above Busy all day in office, had several calls upon me. Spent evening with the Mitchells. We had been invited to attend a concert by Harry Lauders brother, but Mrs Davidson who was at the matinee said it was a disgraceful show with an effort to bring the uniform in to contempt, so Mitchell suggested going to their house instead, which we did and had a very pleasant evening. House at midnight. Fine bright.

Sunday 12

Up at 7.30 AM. Max. 36° above Min 28° above 0 Max at 9.20 28° above zero. Busy at my desk all day. Several called, two officers from the barracks who were taking a ~~long~~ course there They stayed longer than they might. Mays had Evelyn and Miss Davidson to supper. Messrs Henson and Strutt called by request. nice lads. Cold bath after Sandow at 11.30 28° above at 8.00 AM. fine bright day.

Winnipeg
Monday 13

Up at 7.30 Max. 40. above Min 28° above Busy until 4.20 then went to see Colonel Irvine at the hospital he is much better. Very fine day.

Tuesday 14

Up at 7.40 Max. 28° above min 6° below zero

30 above at 8.PM. Busy all day. Wrote until 11.30. P.M. Had to get advance for officers going on a trip to inspect Rifle Associations. Mr McGachan very obliging. A.E. Shaw busy Sandow

[clipping "Registration of Business Act, 1909." between March 13/14 and 15/16 pages]

Wednesday 15

Up at 7.30 AM. Max. ~~34~~ 40.° 18° above below 6° below nasty cold north wind. very cutting
Busy Wrote all morning until one o'clock Mail small. Wrote at home until midnight.

Thursday 16

Up at 7.30 Max 30.° above. min 8 above. 10 above at 8.20 the 17th Busy all day Mays received, all day afternoon of course many came. Mrs AW Ross amongst the number. In the evening Mays had a little party, bridge and singing, dancing by Flora and Harwood. Sandow a lot.

Winnipeg

Friday 17

Up at 7.15. Max 24° Min 10° above 0. Busy until five P.M. Then went to St Patricks banquet and responded to the Army Navy and volunteers. Was received by enormous enthusiasm. All hands rising after I had spoken and giving me three cheers and a tiger. Capt Donnelly who went with me spoke too and was well received. I sat between Mayor Evans and Dr Pennefather. Mr. W.J. Maclean was there and very pleasant indeed.

Saturday 18

Up at 7.30 Max 36°-40° Min. 32 above 0 24. above at 8.15 Busy all day long. Went to the institute. Ketchen lectured. organization
Weather pleasant streets slushy. Sandow

Saturday 18

Up at 7.30
32° above at 8.15

Sunday 19

Up at 7.30 Max 40° Min 28. above. Wrote all day. Tea at the Somerset-Aikins. Supper at the Ruttans Lendrum McMeans, and wife there. CN and Mrs Bell there, went with them. Mays with me at both functions. Weather very pleasant, but streets very dirty
Sandow.

Winnipeg,

Monday 20

Up at 7.30. Max. 40° Min. 32°. above
Captain Borden and Mr Lewis of the Lord Strathcona trust called and had a talk about its management in Manitoba, and I suggested cutting out the clause regarding the work on cadet corps, that it should read so that they promise not to oppose the formation of cadet corps

provided the parents and teachers desire to have them -arranged to have a little talk with the minister of Education at noon tomorrow(sic)

Tuesday 21

Up at 6.30 AM. Max. 40. Min 20° above. Busy all day Went with Captain Borden and Mr Lewis to meet Mr Coldwell, Min of Education. He could not keep his appointment. We met him at the club after lunch and settled the whole thing. Went to banquet and responded to A and N. Well received

Winnipeg to Regina
Wednesday 22

Up at 6.30, busy all day Max. Min Left for Regina at 10.45 Ten forty five, PM accompanied by Borden & Lewis of Lord Strathconas trust and went to bed at 3.30 AM. Thursday.

Thursday 23

Up at 6.15 Max. Min.
Arrived at Regina at 10.45 and went to the hotel no rooms available Parsons met me at the station, with Capt Bishop. We then interviewed deputy Minister of Education Mr McCall and arranged that he would let us know about the details of the Strathcona Trust from the provincial point of view. Came back to the hotel. Introduced Borden and Lewis all round. Called on the CED. Woods in the P.M. and was offered and accepted a bed there. Mrs Wood and Miss Thomas were there. Had tea and saw Borden and Lewis again. Dined at the Woods. Went up town with Charley and read some magazines and wrote letter at the club while Wood and others presented some testimonials to Mr Gray of the bank. Came home and to bed at 12.30

Regina. / train to Wpg
Friday 24

Up at 6.30 after breakfast at the Woods went up town with C.E D. Wood. Met Borden and Lewis and was informed by the deputy Minister that the Minister would Consult a committee and arrange so that all would be settled at the meeting on the 12th April. Met Mr. Trotter who very nicely gave me help to get the two companies Borden and Lewis a charge to Crows Next line. Went and called on the Governor wife names in books. Road bad to the Govt house. Got back early. Went to the club met Wily(?) and others there. John H Macdonald too. Back to hotel gave letter of introduction to Borden & Lewis. Took train Mr and Mrs Trotter on board Dined with them. to be at 11.45 max 50. min 20.

Winnipeg
Saturday 25

Up at 6.30 Max. 50. min 120° above Arrived at 7.45 dressed. shared breakfast and entered up my diary Temp 40 at 9.30 Busy all day long. Wrote until 10

Winnipeg.
Sunday 26

Up at 7.00 AM Max 14 Min. zero.

Busy writing up the biography of the 1885 rebellion Supped at the Burnhams. Mrs. Holland. Mays Mrs. Mac there. Mrs Mackie called yesterday.

Monday 27

Up at 7.30. Max. 24°. above min 4 four above .0. Very busy. Wilson called. Cottrell from England called to see me. Wilson is in Vancouver. Place growing. Will beat Seattle he thinks (before long) Went to the military night of the CAMC. Dr. Good with us. fine.

Winnipeg,
Tuesday 28

Up at 7.30. Max. 30° above. Min 22° above Much work. Gave Mr. Cottrell something to do in the shape of carrying two letters of introduction, one each to Edmonton and Vancouver. Wrote General Mackenzie asking to have rank of brevet Colonel restored Have little hopes that I will get justice. Sandow a lot.

Wednesday 29

Up at 7.30. Max 30° Min 16° above – Busy all forenoon. Met Dr Pennefather by appointment at his own house and advised him at his own request to make it easier for himself by informing Conger that he used to strong expressions towards him. Wrote all day the part re the northwest the most ditestable(sic) that I have yet known

Winnipeg
Thursday 30

Up at 7.30. Max. 30° Min 2° above zero Went to dine at government house dinner in honour of the 90th which I am sure they appreciated I proposed trooper Molloy's health Had a long chat with him. School children gift to Billman was presented to him \$1900.00 subscription of ten cents or perhaps(?) less. He also got his long service decoration, and presented a cup to the regiment. Sandow Cold wind miserable day.

Friday 31

Up at 7.30 Max 14° Min 8°. above zero Strong cold wind. Busy all day in office and writing at home. Went to the converzatione given by the 100th regiment to the womens Canadian club. Mays Mrs. Macdonell Mrs. Mackie, and Mrs Haggerty came with me to it. There was dancing, and supper. Mr (Trooper) Molloy was there with his bride. Got home at 11.30. Sandow. Evelyn Cradock and Mrs Mackie with us.

April

Winnipeg.
Saturday 1

Up at 7.30 Max 20. Min. 8 above zero Busy in office until 1.15 Wrote at home until 6.15
Attended the lecture at the Institute and there met Mr Molloy. (Trooper) blind, and introduced
him to them. The members received him. Came home at 12.00. Pain in left side. odd. Miss
Vaux was born to day.

Sunday 2

Up at 7.30. Max. 28° Min 18° above. Strong cold wind. Saw Colonel Irvine at the hospital. He
is much better. Hunter there walked back to Broadway with him. Supped at the Captain Dixons.
The Dr Jones people there, Mr Morris and Dixons sister The latter spoke of "uncle Jim"
Henderson. and asked if I was a relation. I explained it She is a mere society women no heart.
I am sure I have no use for such.

Winnipeg
Monday 3

Up at 7.30 Max. 32°. Min 24° above zero. Busy in office until 6.00 Went to see the Macleans
after dinner and stayed until 11.30. Miss Maclean gave us supper. nice tea A.I. at that. She says
she can call on Mays soon as she is now relieved from hard work in teaching music.

Tuesday 4

Up at 7.10 Max. 38° min 24° above zero. Busy all day, much to do. Courses of infantry officers
called. and I spoke to them, a nice lot of young men. Major Smith had a long talk with me about
matters. Uniform etc.etc

Tuesday 4

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Wednesday 5

Up at 7.15. Max. 34° min 14° above. 0.
Busy all day. Heavy fall of snow last night streets very sloppy. Guest night, W.J. Maclean ex.
HBCo officer my guest. Party broke up at 11.30 Maclean much pleased. Frost(?) Sandow

Winnipeg
Thursday 6

Up at 6.45 Max. 30° min 16°- above. Busy all day long. Got a nice letter from Colonel Lessard
and came back to lunch. Did not go to hear the premier of New Zealand. Colonel Lessard
thinks my letter very nice and expresses pleasure in hearing of the amicable way in which I
wrote when I heard of the rumour that he was going to resign the Adjutant Genl. seat at the Mil
Council table. Sandow. Wrote a great deal.

Friday 7

Up at 7 6.45 AM. Max. 34° min 22. above Fine bright day. Busy all forenoon, but came home and wrote until the dinner gong sounded. After dinner went out to see some friends in Oro from Oro, got home at 11.30

Winnipeg
Saturday 8

Up at ~~6.30~~ 7.30 Max - 42. Min 30. Temp at 8 am 32° above zero. Busy all day long. Mr Lewis called and arrangements were made for the Regina meeting of Lord S Trust. and for the Manitoba trust. Gave a short lecture to the military Institute

Sunday 9

Up at 7.30 Max 52° Min 40° 36° at 8.30 Busy all day until 4.30 then called to see the Colonel (Irvine) at hosp^l He is much better, but had a relapse last week, had much talk over the treatment he received.

Winnipeg,
Monday 10

Up at 6.40 Max 60. Min 42. Above. Busy all day. rained at about midnight or later. Called on Captain Sugden, and family and had a pleasant chat there. Two sons were present and Mrs Sugden The Captain is the victim of inflammatory rheumatism, and cannot go out. The Staff Adjutant got a very nasty letter from Major Winkler, no man with slightest symptom of the attributes of a gentleman or pretension to good manners would write such a one. I am sending Dixon out to see him and get the matter made straightened out. Sandow

Tuesday 11

Up at 6.40 Max. 48° Min. 40. A Temp at 7.30 4.20 above. Rained last night. Mild dull morning. Busy all day Wired Sir Henry Pellatt for the use of the old range for one month. Pleasant reply in the affirmative. Busy all afternoon and until 11.30. P.M as usual. Dixon to go and see Winklers stores. Sandow

Winnipeg to Regina
Wednesday 12

Up at 6.30. Busy all day. Left by train for Regina at 10.40 P.M. to be present as chairman of the meeting of Lord Strathconas trust.

Regina,
Thursday 13

Up at 6.30 Sat up until 3.30 P.M. with one of my Brandon friends. Should have gone to bed early. Have a bad cold and hoarseness. Got some stuff for it. Had to put off the meeting to 2. PM when it was successful Capt Borden and I the only military men there. Meeting very successful all civilian members present a nice gentlemanly lot of men Wired at night that I would be back tomorrow night. Miserable raw day. The Borders ~~leave~~ in the morning for Edmonton. Strong cold north wind blowing. Did not call on anyone.

Regina to Winnipeg
Friday 14

Up at 4.0 AM. Left by train at 6 AM could get no berth until I got Broadview took no lunch, late breakfast the reason. When I got home there was no one at station. Telegram miscarried. Cold better Met the Wapella troop OC of 16 L.H. and his wife on train had a nice chat. Col. Rankin on train. Max. 52 min, 22 Snow on the ground at Winnipeg. Cold raw day. There has been a bad blizzard during my absence.

Saturday 15

Up at 6.45 ~~[6 written over 7] six forty five. max. 52 Min 22°.~~

Up at 6.45 Max. 40° Min, 30° 30° - at 8 am. Busy all day. Went to Charley Bells lecture on the history of expeditions to the west Sandow

Winnipeg
Sunday 16

Up at 7.30 AM. Max. 56° min 41. Busy all day Captain Barrington called to see me. Donnelly and Milne called. I wrote a good deal.

Monday 17

Up at 6.45 max. 62° min. 40° Sandow. Busy all day. Appointment at 10.00 with Mr Aikins.

Winnipeg.
Tuesday 18

Up at 6.30. Max. 52. min 32° Busy all day long. Shaw C L came to see me at night we talked over the book, and now quite understand one another Called on J.A.M Aikins, arranged matters Sandow.

Winnipeg
Wednesday 19

Up at 6.30 Max. 52° Min. 40. Busy all day. Much worried Went to stables at noon several officers were reported absent, A.E. Shaw P.C. Shaw. Capt Gray attached. They came to stables late.

Thursday 20

Up at 6.30. Max 52 [2 written over 4] Min 34°. Busy all day a great deal of trouble with the 22nd regiment on account of the crest. By some mistake the crest intended for the 29th went to it and the whole of the officers wish to resign.

Winnipeg
Friday 21

Up at 6.00 AM. Max 58°. Min 36°- Busy all day. Capt Ketchen states that the statement of Capt Dixon to the effect that the DOC always has the DSA as Chief of Staff, all nonsense. Dixon is a schemer. Sandow. Arranged for church parades of the units and to move by the Government House- so that Earl Gray may see them.

Saturday 22

Max. 58° Min. 36° up at 6. AM. Busy all day. Wrote to the department to the effect that I intended Captain Mackie to be chief staff officer at camp. Dixon did not behave properly at all in suggesting himself and I should have put my foot down. Earl and Lady Gray came to town today and stay a week I believe. I arranged for a church parade all the troops and boy Scouts. I arranged ~~went to go(?) the Holy Trinity Church and met His excellency there Ketchen met my kind(?)~~ to meet His excellency at the Holy Trinity church all the rest of the troops to go to their selected church. Boy Scouts to Trinity-

Winnipeg
Sunday 23

Up at 6.30 Max 62. Min 42
All went off as arranged for the day church parade of garrison and scouts

Monday 24

Up at 6. AM. Max. 66° Min 52- Busy all day. Inspected guard of honour for the musical theatrical festival for the Earl Grey Cup as His Excellency must be present I believe, each night. Wrote thirteen pages of foolscap in book. Sandow a lot

Winnipeg
Tuesday 25

Up at 6 AM. Max. 65. Min 45 Harwood busy trying to photograph a robin. (English Thrush. Busy all day, office until 1.00 Lunch at the club by JAM Aikins and to His Excellency Earl Grey. Then a reception to Lady Grey at Govt House Mays the poor little dear had to remain at home with the excuse of Sir Henri Taschereaus death. Dined at Govt House to meet Earl & Countess Grey. Then to the theatre with Sir Daniel and Lady McMillan "The Tyranny of the tears" by an Edmonton troupe competing for Earl Greys cup

Winnipeg to Wednesday 26 Saskatoon,

Up at 6.30 went to the train to accompany his excellency Earl Grey to the Penitentiary at Stoney Mountain. The fellow passengers in Mr Whytes private car were, M Arundel Superintendant of the line to Fort William Mr JA.M. Aikens Dr Montague, Mr Chipman Lord Lacelles, His excellency Earl Grey and Sir Daniel McMillan. We were met at Stoney Mt by Mr A Manseau deputy Warden with three motor cars. The School Children sang God Save the King, but mistook the gorgeously dressed Sergeant of the Guard for His Excellency. Colonel Irvine met the party at the Penitentiary and conducted us all over. I was surprised to see on Sam Bedsons brass that his age was only forty four when he died, he was at least sixty years if not more. He died in. 92 and in 1870 was a heavily bearded Quartermaster Sergeant of the Quebec Rifles. We returned after seeing everything. Earl Grey much pleased with what he saw I went back to the

office and found that I had to be personally present at Saskatoon to see the land for the drill hall I started at 9. PM by C.N.Ry. Met Hayes of Edmonton on the train, accompanied by an ex Klondyke man. To bed at 12.00

Winnipeg to Saskatoon, to see drill hall site
Thursday 27

Up at daylight. Train behind time all day. Met Mr William Newman a Contractor, Mr Stewart a land owner of Minneapolis, both Canadians from the Lake Erie shore of Ontario. Hayes I saw little of all day as he was busy smoking At Humboldt where we stopped for about twenty minutes, I met an old friend Mr Norquay late of Edmonton, son of the late John Norquay premier of Manitoba, and had a chat with him. He introduced me to Mrs Norquay and her sister Miss McCully who came up on the train, but who had no one with her. She attended poor Colonel Irvine and helped to bring him around from his severe attack of illness a very nice typical Canadian girl. Changed Cars at Warman for Saskatoon, was met at the station by Acheson Aikins and Smith, also Lang all Majors of local corps. Major Carey also came He had come by the C.P.Ry. and as I had a return ticket by the CN. Ry I could not leave for Winnipeg tonight. Mr Mollard Public works dept of Regina met us and we all went to see the site and then had a motor around town. Site satisfactory cost is \$47,000.00/100 249. by 200 feet. faces the drive or South Sask.

Saskatoon to Friday 28 Winnipeg

Up at 6.30 had a pleasant chat with the Aikins. The Major had to go back to the office last night. A cold rain fell after we got to bed last night and at eight thirty A.M this morning it changed to a disagreeable fall of snow accompanied by an ~~east~~ north east wind. It should do good though the snow will soak into the dry ground which has much need for moisture. Aikins saw me to the train he and Acheson saw me ~~office~~. Nice fellows both. Changed at Warman for the east bound train, got a good berth, lower, about fifty miles east the snow was succeeded by rain. No acquaintances on the train. Read a lot of magazines. To bed at 10.30 I spent last evening with the officers of the regiments at Saskatoon who brought me to the club, a very pleasant chat with all. Smith, Acheson, Lang, Aikins Dulmage, and some new officers present. All are now on good terms with one another and were pleased with ~~Aikins~~, the arrangement Ketchen made rent (?) sent up by me to put all straight.

Saskatoon to Winnipeg by train,
Saturday 29

Up at half past five AM, breakfasted early arrived at nine AM. Was met by Martin Went to the office very busy indeed. Young Wetton and another Englishman called to see me gave them advice, as to what they require. Went in the afternoon to the laying of the corner stone of Westminster church by Earl Grey. Flora went with me. Earl Grey and party went home.

Sunday 30

Up at 6.30 Max. 30° Min. 22 Took a brisk walk around the blocks to the south weather cold temperature 26° above zero yet the leaves are out. I hope the frost will not affect them Met Donnelly at the door on his way back from church. He came in the evening, had a pleasant chat.

Wrote 30 pp of foolscap in book. Donnelly says that a small percentage in the book is sufficient for collaborator. Miserable raw day, cold wind, frost last night.

May

Winnipeg,
Monday 1

Up at 6.35 Max. 40°. Min. 22°. Meeting of Lord Strathconas took place at the Office of the Minister of Education. Captain Borden and I were the only officers of the Militia present. I as chairman got him to explain and assist. Captain Conger was appointed the Secretary. Cheques to be countersigned by the chairman. Resolved too the the [sic] school inspectors of the province at large and for Winnipeg, Brandon and Portage LaPrairie the Superintendent of schools be the judges for physical training training of the school children. That the D.O.C. M.D 10 be the judge for the cadets. Any officer chosen by him to be responsible for it. Sandow as usual. Weather very disagreeable indeed cold and strong N.E. wind all day. Much trouble. Sandow

Tuesday 2

Up at 6.30 Max. 48° min 28°. Busy all day at many things. Wrote a little. J C. Waugh called to see the ___ head which McIlree wishes to sell. Sandow

Winnipeg
Wednesday 3

Up at 6.30 Max – Min.
Wrote Galbraith for claim record of Sand Creek land and water right. Weather finer to-day.

Thursday 4

Up at 6. AM. Max. 54° Min. 32°. Busy all day. Sheffield(?) choir last night good singing. Was much annoyed at the bad situation of the Lt Governors box. All of us went. Sandow

Winnipeg
Thursday 4

Up at 6.00 Max 68.°Min 48° Busy all day in office until five, the earliest that I have been able to leave it except on Wednesday and Saturdays. At Dr Pennefathers in the evening. Sandow. Martin give(sic) list of everything to man who is to take his place.

Friday 5

Up at 7.10 vMax. 74° min. 54° Mr Somerset Aikins died at 5.0 P.M. Good kind man, a dear fellow good to children and others. charitable and moral Would that we were all like him. A dinner to and(?) at the club on the occasion of his becoming assistant gen manager of the bk of Commerce. No speeches were made and the banquet broke up on account poor Aikins death. We merely dined together. Had a long chat with Aldous and a judge

From Winnipeg. to Stoney Mountain
Saturday 6

Up at 6.30 Busy in office until 1.30 Went to Stoney Mountain at 5.40 Harwood came with me. We put up at the Manseaus A hearty welcome for us. Called on the Colonel (Irvine) He was glad to see me.

Stoney Mt.
Sunday 7

Up at 6.30 Went to the R.C. Prison Chapel with Harwood and Manseau shewed us around after church. Met the Colonel in the afternoon. Mrs Manseau came with us in the previous evening. Sat up late with Manseau talked over old times. Max. 74° min 54°

Stoney Mt. to Winnipeg, Man,
Monday 8

Up at 6.30 Max. 74 Min 46°. Went to Aikins funeral. Could not get a carriage was loaned motor by Ketchen, very nice of him. The funeral very large indeed. Many floral offerings. The Church of England Archbishop led to the procession the grave in the cemetery and said the first prayers, a remarkably graceful act. Mr. Somerset Aikins, the deceased, being a Methodist. Spent evening at Dr. Pennefathers.

Tuesday 9

Up at 6.00 Max 70. Min 50. Busy all day. Settled many things re the camp have decided for the 17th as the day to arrive there, and to have the 28th to move out.

Winnipeg.
Wednesday 10

Up at 6.30. Max. 36°- min. 32° Miserable day and night. Assault at arms. The lieutenant governor and Lady McMillan present, gymnastic show not as good as usual. Sword swinging good. The officers served refreshments to invited guests Sir Daniel and Lady Macmillan went over to the mess. A dance afterwards. The young officers were rather foolish about this never saying a word to me until after I arrived at the mess. I spoke to the adjutant about it. Some of our people are rather childish. Miss Lee from Calgary with us. Rained hard on our way home, everyone wet.

Winnipeg
Thursday 11

Up at 6.30. Max. 50. Min 40° Busy all day. Miss Lee detained by the rain. Stormy, rained in torrents all last night then snowed, a good thing for the country, rain much wanted. Dined at the club with 100th Grenadiers Nice time. Cameron and Hutchings, on right and left. Sir Daniel present.

Winnipeg
Friday 12

Up at 6.30 AM. Max. 50° min 40°

Fine day after the rain. Busy arranging matters for camp. The Lt Colonels of Infantry in town came to see me by request about the arrangements for coronation day and the composite battalion for camp. Senior lieutenant Colonel to take Command of the force in Winnipeg, the second in Command to handle his corps. Ruttan senior to Col the question was carefully discussed and the decision satisfactory to all. Wrote Cambie in reply to his. Sandow.

Saturday 13

Up at 7.30. Busy all morning. Cameron of Lochiel called to see me. Nice young man Mays and I asked to dine with general Kelly at the Dennistouns, also to tea at the Dr Jones. Went to the banquet of the Imperial medal association, and responded to the Army & Navy. The toast to myself explained to myself about the Boy Scouts Lord S trust and what can be done. Sandow. Max 72°. Min 56°. Heavy thunderstorm during the banquet.

Winnipeg
Sunday 14

Up at 8.00 Max. 68. Min. 46. Terrific thunder storm during the night large quantities of rain fell. 68- 46.

Big Parade for veterans decoration of the graves of the soldiers who have died on the field or of wounds or disease. An enormous number of people turned out, they were about ten deep on Broadway and Main for three miles. Hundreds of motors came. The service was in the open air in Ft Osborne square. The troops turned out well. I arranged for Sir Daniel MacMillan to take the salute at Portage Ave. east. Main St. He sent his carriage for me and I went to govt House for him. We then proceeded to the university grounds where(?) the veterans parade was waiting. Sir Daniel then presented two nurses with medals, inspected the veterans and Boy Scouts, then service was held in the barrack square. Sir Daniel and General Kelly inspected the ranks at my request after the service. Sir Daniel proceeded to Portage and Main. I headed the march on foot to that place, saluted and took my place. Gen. Kelly from India was with Sir D. by request. We then drove to the graves and a service was held. The corps present

Monday 15

~~Up at 6.30 Max. — Min.~~

were, 79th 90th 100th A.S.C, C.A.M.C, C of G, Signalling corps, Strathcona's Horse, one squadron of 18th M.R. 13th Field Battery P.A.M.C. All looked well. General Kelly pleased with them. Sir Daniel left me at home after the graves were decorated. Ketchen took the ladies in a motor car. The Boy Scouts and veterans marched and looked well. The day cool but pleasant after the rain. Mud bad at the grounds of the cemetery. I think the decoration should be done differently in future as at present it damages the graves and many are trampled upon. I am pleased with the day's parade. Sandow

Monday
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Up at. 7.30.

Max. 54. Min 44°. Busy at examination board of officers to examine Captain Conger, Lts. P.C. Shaw and Russell & Captain Cartright. Some men ducked the Canteen Corporal last night. The Sergt Rusk caught several of them. I gave them a piece of my mind and ordered a court martial. Sandow –

Winnipeg.
Tuesday 16

Up at 6 AM. Max. 74. Min 54. Busy at exams as president of a board on that of Cartright. P.C. Shaw and Russell. Dined at the club with the Cameron Highlanders of Canada, in honour of Young Cameron the brother of Locheil. The Lieut governor was present. a ~~captain Barclay de Tolly a Scot~~ Colonel Barclay. one of the special reserve in the “old country” Came away at 11.am. Sandow as usual.

Wednesday 17

Up at 6.30. Max 82°. Min 60° Busy all day and at exam of the three officers of S.H. and Capt Conger of AP.Corp. and will be at it tomorrow. C.L. Shaw called. So did Mr Mair. They left at 12.30 the AM of the 18th Sandow

Winnipeg
Thursday 18

Up at 7.20 Max. 70°- min. 54°- Busy all day board on the examination of Cartwright, Conger, P.C. Shaw, and Russell. Sealed all papers personally and Major Macdonell posted them to London and one sent to Ottawa. I hope the chaps did well. Sandow.

Friday the Gwynnes retd from Kingston. I am glad to state they came to see us. Mrs Gwynne and Evelyn went home to Grenfell at ten A.M. Sat up late.

Saturday
~~Sunday~~

Up at 6.30(?) Max. 56. min 40° Busy all day. Gwynne Ketchen and Mackie arranged with. Major Carmen called to see me about the Coronation Contingent Lt Colonel Cowan, about the Morden squadron which Major Winkler hands over in bad shape later on. Mounted Police to pass through to Quebec with horses to take ship for England to be present at the coronation. I hope Harwood is allowed to see the scouts rally in England in July at Windsor park. Got notice that the Boy Scouts are to be chosen on Monday at 7.30 P.M. Sandow–

Friday 19

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Saturday 20

Broadway Winnipeg, Man,

Sunday 21

Up at 7.30 AM walked with Flora for about two and a half miles, a delightful morning. The Christening of the baby (the Vaux) and young Ruttan came at the same time, this P.M. Tea at the Vauxes afterwards Had a long chat with Mrs. Fisher whose son is taking a course in the corps. Gwynne left at 9.30. I had a long chat with him in the evening before he left. He is taking a sensible view of things.
Temperature. Max 64°- Min 46°-

Monday 22

Up at 6.30. Max. 68°- Min 50° Busy all day lunched with Mr J.A.M. Aikins Mr Harvey acting mayor of the city, Mr Robt Rogers, and Principal MacIntyre, to talk over what was to be done on Coronation day. The troops the cadets the school cadets, the school children to parade. The whole of the bands to be massed and hired by the city, flags, union Jacks, to be carried by each child. Patriotic songs to be sung from the grand stand on the exhibition grounds. After lunch we met the Lieut Gov. Sir Daniel McMillan and talked it over. He approved. Got Telegram approving of a regimental camp for the 22nd Sandow

Winnipeg Tuesday 23

Up at 6.15 Max. 70° Min 52° A beautiful day. Major Ross called and had a chat arranged to let him have the clothing for his squadron. Gave him some encouragement and advice. Inspected the riding of the coronation contingent the men are improving a great deal. Young Buchanan is not a fit man to send across Sandow a lot. Walked a long way and spent the evening at Dr Pennefathers place. Got home at 11.00. Arranged for a regimental camp. Sandow.

Wednesday 24

Up at 6.30 Max. 70. Min 50. Heavy rain at 8.30 P.M. The rest of the day pleasant. Went to the barracks. Met Major Bell 79th there Gave him some pointers re the Inspection of the regiment. Major Mitchell, Mrs Mitchell and Elinor called to see us, spent the evening. Had a long chat with him (Mitchell) about the 100th Wrote a lot on book hope I shall be through with it soon. Sandow.

Winnipeg Thursday 25

Up at 6.25 Max. 60 Min. 40° Busy all day had a look at the foot drill of the contingent going to the coronation of King George the fifth. They are a good lot but raw, very raw. I hope Mackie can do something for them. Mays and I dined at the Ashdowns, a nice time, very fine ____- Arranged matters with Aikins Gave one third interest in 160 acres at Sand Creek in security for a loan in the bank. also gave in security my two policies in the Great West Life, all of the above in trust.

Friday 26

Up at 6.30 Max 48. Min 42. Very heavy rain fell during the evening and most of the night. We have had more than for many years. The lawn tennis ground is full of water for the first time since I came to Winnipeg. Busy all day. Went to a meeting of the committee of the city council re the celebration of the coronation of George the fifth – Col Ruttan, Col. Thompson and Col. Aikins present. Sandow a lot.

Winnipeg, Man
Saturday 27

Up at 6.30. Max 50 Min. 40 cold morning Temp 42. ground saturated Busy all day. Attended a meeting with regard to the coronation ceremonies and was placed upon the nomination Committee. Sandow a great deal

Sunday 28

Up at 7.30 Wrote a great deal. Went to the mess at eleven. Wired to DOC 11 the names of the officer and instructor for the camp at Kamloops. Made many arrangements about camp, that is I went over them in my mind for tomorrow. Harwood and I walked via Langside St and Wellington Crescent to our home Met Tom Moffatt of Orillia there at the crescent. He ran back to speak to me I had not seen him since I was thirteen years old. He is seventy five and looks fine. We talked over old times in Orillia. He lives in Minneapolis. Sandow a lot. Spent evening at the Donnelly's

Winnipeg,
Monday 29

Up at 6.30 Max. 62. Min 52° Busy all day. Captain Stephenson of Russell called to see about raising a squadron of horse. I encouraged him but stated that he must send in the application of officers for the Corps not later than August next. Lt Colonel O'Grady called to see me about men who refused to send in their uniform when ordered to do so. He has been advised to bring them in to court. I inspected the company of the 79th which is to go to the Coronation of King George the fifth. Sandow a lot twice per day now, great benefit. The Mackies and Mr Ogden called to see us. A pleasant evening. The day cool and threatened rain. Sandow. The Highlanders looked very well indeed.

Tuesday 30

Up at 7. AM. Max. 60° Min. 50. Busy as usual. Inspected the Highlanders before they went off to the train which takes them to Montreal & England to attend the Coronation. They looked well and soldierly in bearing. Dr Good took Mays Mrs Macdonell and myself to the Orpheum Theatre, very amusing. Got back at 11 o'clock

Winnipeg.
Wednesday 31

Up at 6.00 AM. Max 74° Min 56° Fine day a slight shower in the evening. Phoned all of the O.C. units and all are agreed except Gwynne that the 13th is suitable for camp. The latter puts on a very poor mouth, complains that the men cannot come out so early. This in spite of the fact

that he is in a dry part of the country and that the rest of the units are of the same class as his own: all farmers, and that they are on all sides of him. Sandow as usual. Col Ruttan asked for more uniforms dist(?) is short of them. I find that we cannot supply him.

June

Thursday 1

Up at 6.00 Max 72°. Min 52° Busy all day Gen Otter came and at 3.P.M inspected the books of the 79th Cameron Highlanders of Canada. at 5. Inspected the books of the 100th Much to be done in those regiments. I must send an instructor to look at the books of the same. The gen inspected the books of the 100th and 79th for the first time, the 79th ~~need~~(?).

Sandow. The 79th inspected at their drill on the college grounds, a fine lot of men the officers were rattled. It is a strange thing that they always get that way. QMStores inspected.

Winnipeg
Friday 2

Up at 6. AM. Max. 72 Min. 56°

General Otter inspected Lord S Corps Rooms good but not uniform. in arrangement of the belts. Mess good, rooms clean. hospital satisfactory Major Vaux gave me an excellent account of the running of the hospital, the wants of the same the weaknesses of of [sic] the system. Hospital and books neat. The Regimental books neat. There is too much money left in the hands of the careless sergeant and the mess book is not as I ordered it to be kept. The saddlery very badly placed, the officers saddles mixed up with those of the men. The District books in splendid order, everything to date. the enforcer(?) has no suitable place for work. I will give him the lecture room, and see that there is a place for lectures. Officers mess books all right. The Gen saw the musical ride and the system of Galvannes(?) for breaking horses. ~~is~~ was explained to him.

General Otter inspected the 90th at drill and as usual some of the officers lost their heads The best Company was Blanchards. The officers prompt to a considerable extent. The rooms of A.S.C. 13th F.B. F Ambulances and the Institute inspected and a few short and sharp words given.

Saturday 3

Up at 6. AM. Max 66° min 56. Kings birthday. Salute fired in the usual way at the drill hall by thirteenth F. Battery Went out with Gen Otter and Lt Col Thompson to see the new rifle range. We got stuck in the mud and after a great deal of trouble had to send out for the team at the house and it pushed us out twice. We were covered with mud to the eyes Thomson and I got the work of it on the way back the motor gave out, and we had to take the car at Silver heights. Went to lunch with Aikins at the club was a few minutes late The archbishop, Gen. Otter, J B Mitche [sic] Mr Lister, Lt Cols Brown, Ruttan, Aikins, Cameron another gentleman whose names I did not catch. Ruttan took the general Mitchell and self for a motor drive over Fort Rouge. Gen - Inspected the 100th at 8.30 mosquitos very bad. Milne came with Capt Davidson to spend the evening. Dixon told me that the 90th gave Collins nothing to do. Sandow a great deal to advantage.

Winnipeg

Sunday 4

Up at 7.30. Max. 70° Min 60° Mays and I went down the river and had an enjoyable trip to St Andrews locks with the Ruttans in their nice launch. The river is pretty. Many persons encamped along its banks. Mosquitos very bad. Got back at ten o'clock P.M. The party consisted of Col. Mrs Ruttan, Mr Frank Ruttan, Miss Nichols Mrs. Crispo, Mrs McCara, Mays and self.

Sandow a great deal. Sandow

Monday 5

Up at 6 AM. Max 70° Min 50.

Busy all day. Lt Critchley asked me to let him off for the Horse Show on the eight, that is to say the young fellow wished me to put off for his convenience the inspection of the cadets at Fort William and of course inconvenience them. Mays and I asked by Sir Daniel and Lady McMillan to go to the horse show with them at 8.00 P.M. Mays could not go. (headache) I went. Show of delivery horses good, of polo ponies poor. Jumping fair. Leslie Cameron and Mrs Dixon 2nd and second. and third Lowes man 1st. Rest nowhere. Got home at 1.00 (one) show dragged out too late. Sandow.

Rain.

Winnipeg,
Monday 5

Up

Tuesday 6

Up at 6.30 AM. Max. 72° Min, 62°. Busy all day . Weighed 237½ three and a half less than. on the 31st Very insulting letter from a major Elliot of the 22nd L.H I wrote his OC Col Hodson. to order an apology. He had written the letter in reply to an extremely civil one from my adjutant with regard to the regulations re travelling expenses. Elliot had made an overcharge of five dollars per day. Sandow. The little tailor(?) St Boniface came to see about the raising of a regiment of French Canadians at St Boniface. I encouraged him to do so but that he must select a man of weight and means as O.C and others. Heavy rain.

Winnipeg
Wednesday 7

Up at 6.30 Max. 70. Min 60°.

Got a box at the horse show for military night. Not many military went there(?) at all. A miserable evening. Women invited into the box by Mrs Mac. kept my friends out of it. Awfully foolish at times she is. Sandow. heavy rain.

Thursday 8

Up at 7.00. Max 62°. Min 54° Heavy rains daily for weeks past. Horse show I had an inspection for Lt Critchley at Port Arthur (cadets) but through paying more attention to the horse

show than to duty he missed the train. I was busy writing at night when Capt Dixon phoned to say that Critchley had missed the train, missed the C.P.Ry. to port Arthur. Dixon asked if the Inspection on account of this could not be put off. I replied no and ordered him to wire to the people at Port Arthur to say that Critchley had missed the train but would be down by the next. I also told him to say that I was much annoyed with Critchley. Sandow

Winnipeg,
Friday 9

Up at 6.30 Max 70° Min 58° Busy all day great bother about the 98th Gwynne called me up on the phone, and stated that he will do well enough. The 98th have given me a great deal of trouble. Sandow a lot. Wrote many letters.

Saturday 10

Up at 3.20^{am} Max [blank] Min. [blank] Wrote until half past six. Got rid of scores of old letters studied carefully my a/c. Pretty close shave pushing along with the salaries we get. Sandow a lot. Mailed cheques to all tradesmen in town Paid all bills, including over draft in the bank of Montreal and note for one thousand and one dollars. Wrote Mr. A S Vowell 21. Margaretta St Winnipeg. Man, sent two or three badges of 91st regiment of rebellion days to Mr. Mc.Cleneghan of Onion Lake. Sask. Sandow.

Sunday 11 to Saturday 24

[blank]

Winnipeg,
Sunday 25

Up at 3.00 AM and with Major Vaux and Harwood my son, took the Imperial Ltd for Winnipeg. arriving on time. C A Biggar was on train and came to speak to me. I am a friend of his for many years. He served with me in A Battery forty years ago, and in 1873 [7 written over an 8], I had the good luck with P.R Neale and Gunner Schofield to save him and two others from drowning.

I arrived at 7.30, and found Antoine and his wife still here They were glad to see me. I took Antoine out for a run around the city in the afternoon To the monument at Seven oaks, and all over Crescent wood. The Donnelly's came to see us in the evening Mrs Donnelly and her eldest daughter, Mr Nash(?) and Mr Strutt of the bank also. Antoine sang a lot.

Winnipeg
Monday 26

Up at 7. AM. Busy all day. Cold and raw day. Max 60. min 44° Wrote all letters due. Had a long chat with Mackie about training of the corps. at the new range. The men need it after their long spell of fatigues. Twenty are still at Sewell to fold tents. Antoine and wife also baby left at 10.00 P.M. for Edmonton I am glad to have seen them. They had a bad time in Montreal. Gov Gen Sec. wired for me to attend on the behalf of His excellency the funeral of the Hon. T.M

Daly. Paid my bills, wrote the bank of Molson. (Molsons bank) Calgary, enclosing receipt for the ~~best ground~~ premium on life assurance.

Tuesday 27

Up at 6.30. Max 62°. Min 48. Cool. Most unsatisfactory and melancholy day. The Hon T.M. Dalys funeral at which I represented the governor general. A concert sacred in church at night in Grace Church. Lt Col. Aikins K.C. gave me the tickets for self Mays and Minnie. Concert good. Funeral service ditto. Letter from Capt Ketchen who is at "home" for the coronation. He says the SA contingent the finest, ours was good.

Winnipeg,
Wednesday 28

Up at 7.30 Max. 66° Min 56° Weather cool. but at times close. Arranged to have the figure targets ready for use in a week about which O'Grady and Munro called. Gave orders as to report on the camp at Sewell Up to the General hospital at 4. P.M and saw Major Macdonell and Mr Gordon, both are doing well. Gordon says Cowan may come. Walked out to see the Mitchells on Furby St. Called on W.J. Macleans family. Only one at home. Got letter from Col. Gwynne.

Thursday 29

Up at 7.30 Max. 68° Min 60. Busy all day Much annoyed at Lieut H E Shaw who is complained of by adjutant as having gone to play polo when on duty as orderly officer, at the same time having reported that he could [*caret*: not] attend the funeral of the Hon Mr Daly on account of being on duty.

Winnipeg
Friday 30

Up at 7.20 Max 74.°. Min. 68°
Busy all day. A captain Pearson from the Woolwich arsenal called. I invited him to the Caledonian games at the park. Spent evening at Pennefathers. The Dr. spoke of Dalys death.

July

Saturday 1

Up at 6.45 Max 90° Min 62°
Took Capt Pearson to lunch at the club and thence to Scottish games. I do not know what to make of him. Captain RA drops his H^s knows all about the army and navy politics of England, says he is on sick leave for a year was caught in a fire in Brandon and lost all his papers has no cards. Says he put his money in the bank of Commerce. Telegram from mil dept. allowing only twenty five cents to maintain men at Lloydminster camp. Col. Hodson protested I wired for 40^{cts} for men and 35 cents for horses.

Winnipeg
Sunday 2

Up at 7.30- Max 72° Min 62°

Wrote twenty pages of Legal cap. Walked out in the evening Carleton, Portage, Furby and Broadway. The Mackies came to see us. To bed at midnight. Pleasant day. Sandow al [sic] great deal.

Monday 3

Up at 7.10 Sandow. Max 72° Min 61° Inspected and catechised the battery N.CO through Capt the Count de Bury et Bocarme. The [sic] did fairly well on the answers but there is room for improvement. Called on the Donnelly at night to bring Mays and Mrs Mac home(?) Flora escorted by Harwood went with the Major Mitchells to see the old Folks home and assist Mrs Mitchell in entertaining them. What nice people the Mitchells are so considerate so kind. Mays and the children dote on them

Got authority to let contracts at Lloydminster for the grub for 22nd in camp. Close in the afternoon.

Winnipeg. Tuesday 4

Up at 7.00 Sandow. Max. 78° min 62° Busy all morning Col Thomson called to see me. Arranged about Lloydminster Camp inspection as well as Grenfell and Port Arthur 96th regiment Wrote from 2 to 6. P.M Took a walk Furby Portage, Hargreave [sic] and Broadway. Report that Conger is leading little Arnell(?) astray.

[no heading]

Up at 7. AM. Sandow. Max 70.° Min 54° Busy all day, but much worried. Wrote until midnight Called to see Mr. Ptolemy who had his foot broken some days ago. He is on the mend. Had a long and interesting chat with him. He has had a trying career but has done well for his family and they have pleased him much. One son is accountant in the bank of Ottawa, one in Victoria BC doing well. He himself has the I.SO.

Winnipeg Wednesday 5

Up at 7. Sandow. etc Max 76° 56° Busy all day. A stupid letter in a Port Arthur paper about the Sir William Whyte challenge cup for efficiency. Charges are made against the O.C. for favouritism with regard to it and of stupid and untrue statements re the award, Ruttans Co. being told that they did not earn it, that the OC. stated that he influenced me to make the award to it. He is also charged with not giving the cup out as per order

Thursday 6

Up at 7.10 Sandow. Max 78° Min 68° Busy all day. Terrific thunderstorm which lasted for hours, seven P.M to long after midnight prevented me from ~~inspecting the 90th regiment. It should have a tactical scheme,~~

Friday 7

Up at 7 AM. Max. 76° Min 62°

Terrific thunder and lightning all after noon accompanied by torrents of rain until midnight.

Could not inspect 90th

Wrote all evening.

Saturday 8

Up at 7 AM. Max 76° Min 60°

Busy all day. Had long talk with Mackie about discipline. and training of officers ordered.

There are many faults to correct

Winnipeg,
Sunday 9

Up at 7.45 Max 70 Min 56°

Sandow a little. Went to church and paid in twenty five cents towards maintenance. I paid twenty dollars in before I went to camp on the 13th ult. which is a lot more than agreed upon by me.

Mays Mrs Macdonell and I went to the Mackies to-tea, the Malcolms brother and sister, Mrs Moore Mrs Sparks and D. Cameron the only persons not of the P.F. Mrs M very justly disappointed, should have had twenty two, had only sixteen Cecil Donnelly and Katie called at night

Monday 10

Up at 7 AM. Sandow, a great deal. Max. 70 Min. 52. cold wind. some rain. It cleared up at night. Mays and accompanied Mrs Mackie to the camp at Sturgeon Creek and there dined with Capt Mackie and the officers Left for home at 10.00 arrived at 10.30 The girls and Harwood were at the Davidsons in the evening and returned at midnight. Wrote Esther Miller (Mrs McGregor) re my book. Wrote Col Laurie about the papers.

On train Wpg to Lloydminster
Tuesday 11

Up early busy all day. Left early in Evg with Capt Conger for Lloydminster went to bed at once and were all day on train. Passed through Warman at noon, North Battleford at night Met an old S.H. there and had chat. The country looks fine, particularly north of the elbow of the N Saskatchewan Arrived at Lloydminster at 12.30 midnight and put up at the Britannia hotel, and went to bed.

12th

All day on train to Lloydminster.

Wednesday 13 [*adjusted from 12*]

Up at 5.30 AM. and after breakfast went to the camp of the 22nd Lt Col. Hodson met me in the hotel. I did not know him at first. Drove to camp in a livery trap. A man named Despard who had been an officer in the Irish Yeomanry drove us out a decent fellow Conger mustered the 22nd we lunched then and in the P.M the corps had their sports in town. I sat in the grand stand with a lot of ladies. Sports went off well. The men a good lot, officers too. Spent evening at the Thompsons. Went to bed at 12.30 Sandow.

Conger stated that the pay a/c is the worst run in the P. Force, the very worst. He said a lot more about some people, mostly true.

Max 70. Min 62.

Sergt Johnson has no certificate as such got only Corporals. He must get a sergeants. No hospital comforts supplied to the corps only one stretcher, and two bell tents.

Lloydminster, Sask.

Friday ~~Thursday~~ 14 [*adjusted from 13*]

Up at 5 AM. Max. 70. [*7 written over 5*] Min 52

Inspected the 22nd thoroughly, and tested the men at reiging positions, and leading horses at speed. The ground is very bad full of badger holes many men and horses down. After lunch tested them again and spoke to the officers. They gave me three cheers as I went away. Officers a good lot. Numnahs gave a few horses sore backs, some girths too short. Horses in good condition sanitation good food good. no complaints
Books of regiment particularly good

Friday 14

As per above. Left camp at an early hour spent evening at the Thompsons. Nice couple very pleasant time.

Lloydminster [*caret: to*] Prince Albert

Saturday 15

Up at 3. AM. Left Lloydminster at 4.30 AM. Arrived at Warman too late for P.A train. Had to wait until 6.30 PM. and arrived here at 10PM met McCraney MP on train also Capt Seale and put up at the best hotel. A nice place clean but the bathroom is locked up so that one has to bother about the keys went to bed at midnight

Told McCraney. MP on train that that(sic) it was difficult to obtain school sections for rifle ranges.

Prince Albert to Saskatoon. Sask.

Max at Wpg Sunday 16

Up at 5 AM. bath. Max. at Winnipeg 72° Min 61. Fine day. Wrote Mays, Colonel Hodson & Capt Dixon Capt Seale came and drove us around the city of Prince Albert. We visited drill hall site. Shannon, and Conger came with us, visited the armoury and inspected but did not check the equipment. It is in the old land office, a good building. It will answer well for the arms of six companies, but more land should be purchased so as to have a fine drill hall built. Met the mayor and had a chat with him, told him what I would suggest about the drill hall and that I would recommend a fine building which would be an ornament to the town. He said that

the council would meet and consider it He was at Duck Lake fight. We then called on the Constantines, visited the Rifle range across the river, after which the officers gave us a nice lunch at a nice fashionable café. Left by C.N.R at 2.00 Mrs Constantine and Miss Cradock came to see us off. Arrd at Warman had a long wait there. and left at 6.20 P.M. for Saskatoon where we were met by Colonel Acheson, Lt Col Smith and Major Aikins

Saskatoon. Saskatchewan
Monday 17

Up at 5.30 AM. Drove out in Mr Engens motor to see sec (11. school sec) but found site for range too short – to have 1000 yds. as there is to be a dam built below it on the South Saskⁿ R. over which bullets would pass. Came back to town and called at Engens nice home, from there to one of his farms. He drove us after offering and providing refreshments. At the farm we saw the most scientific piggery in the country The pigs naturally clean sleep on an upper flat, are fed below, and the place slushed out. Water and feed is supplied automatically. Saw a fine field 800 acres of wheat, four hundred of flax. Returned to town and lunched at the club. Engen left us then.

Drove out in the P.M. to the east or right bank of the South Saskatchewan R. to look for a range found none there was a succession of rocky ridges for miles, with intervals of cultivated ground between them. Rain fell and we returned to town soaked with it.

Max 63°. at Wpg cold and cheerless Min 53°– Went to the club after dinner and chatted with two professors until bed time. We are at ~~Tuesday 18~~ the Western hotel where rooms were obtained for us by the officers who met us yesterday AM.

Saskatoon, Regina, etc etc
Tuesday 18

Up at 5.00 Wrote letters. Drove out at 9. AM in Blairs car accompanied by him, Colonels Smith, Acheson and Major Aikins to look at ground for a rifle range. Found a good place six miles out and drove over it It will cost too much I fear. Left Saskatoon at noon, arrived at Regina at 7.20 Crops look fine, all the way down. Met two young ladies on the train. They are in charge of the inspection of telephone offices, one is to be married and hand over to the other who is a Hamilton girl. Capt Ross adjutant of the 95th met me at the station. He had rooms for us self and Conger, at the hotel, Kings which is a temperance place now. Several officers called to meet me and we went to the club at night. Met several officers, Haultain and other friends, and arranged to recommend city corps of six Cos for P.A Saskatoon and Regina. I was up until one o.c. AM. the 19th Had a lot of fun with Bishop of the artillery chaffing him for his suggestions of all sorts, mostly impracticable
Max at Wpg. 61° Regina, Min. do. 52°

Wednesday 19

Up early. 5.00 AM. Wrote Colonel Smith of the 95th at Saskatoon and directed him how to act to get the regiment 95 divided into three - with Head Qrs at Regina Saskatoon and Prince Albert. Inspected the drill hall ground 30 lots and directed Captain Bishop of the Artillery to get the deeds made out. The site is excellent. Inspected the old P.O. it will hold arms for six cos and equipment for the same. Lunched at the Parsons, nice People. Capt Parsons a fine type of man. Met Mrs Codd daughter in law of medical Lieut Colonel Codd late of P. Force and R.R.

expedition. She is an Adams a descendant of Colonel Adams a Peninsular officer who settled on the Ridge Rd. between Orillia and Barrie. She thinks that the country descendants are not good style. I deprecated this, and stated that they would be all right if they had the means. Ordered W Ross to apply to me through Colonel Smith to get the regiment organized as a city corps. I wrote Acheson and Aikins To Ross I stated that the officers must qualify within the year. Wrote the same to Smith and Capt Shannon
Max at Wpg. 63° 71.° Min 52.

Regina to Winnipeg
Thursday 20

Up at 4.30 called Conger at 5.00 AM Left Regina for Winnipeg on the Toronto train. Arrived at 5.30 PM. Train crowded, children running about and a nuisance to all. Found all well at home. Fine fields of wheat on all sides, other grains also. All it wants is a lot of fine warm weather. Crops further advanced than anywhere in the north. Found the children pleased with their lawn tennis court. Private Martin, my servant back from the Coronation. He states that Ketchen was the back bone of the whole Mounted troops of Canada. Got Jack boots for the men so as to match the helmets. Some remark caused by the fault finding on parade of the officers of the Infantry, the necessity for the regular officers to be in command of such an event, on the whole barring the western contingent the affair was not a success as far as the Mil of Canada is concerned Why in the world cannot things be done properly Temp Max. 70. min, 50. Sandow ~~no~~ Lt. Col Aikins rung me up to ask if I could go with him to Mrs McMickens who would write out my book!!

Friday 21

Up at 7.30 Max. 70. Min, [blank] Busy all day. Inspected the camp at Sturgeon Creek Lord Strathconas Horse riding fair Officers kept a bad line. Mackie put them through well. I rode. After the mounted work I took orderly room and found two reports against Lt Arnott, they were no doubt true for passing cheques with no funds. P.C. Shaw and Critchley lieuts- made the complaints They were true but would not have been made had it not been that they had it in for Arnott on account of his being made acting adjutant. I ordered that a Court of enquiry be held to investigate the truth of the charges. Arnott is a Mil College graduate, but has shewn little evidence of the good teaching of that institution. I have advised him and watched him, but it was of no use.

Winnipeg to Grenfell.
Saturday 22

Up early. Left with Flora for the Gwynnes at Grenfell. Got here at 5.30 cold raw and wet. Lt Col and Mrs Hosmer on train. and gang of crooks from the states going to Brandon fair. Train did not give us one minute to jump off at Grenfell.

Grenfell to Winnipeg, Sunday
Sunday 23

Up early. Gwynne came to see how we were. Went to the cadet camp inspected it, got the parade state, all very good except the lines. Cold day, dined and supped in camp. Church parade a good sermon, ~~going on~~ with the usual patriotic speech given. After that there was a parade and

march past me. Left Grenfell at 8.30 P.M. Gwynne saw me off. Got my berth at Broadview at midnight. Arrived Winnipeg on Monday at 7.35 am. and after breakfast at house went to work. Sandow. Fine day.

Winnipeg,
Monday 24

Up at 7.10 Max. 62° Min. 48° cool day as usual. One needs an overcoat. Wrote Major Aikins re the drill hall at Saskatoon to the effect that they should have more ground for it. but that I would have them sent a plan Did a great deal of work in office and ordered all correspondence to be ready for me or answered by the time I returned to the city from inspection of the 96th Arrived at 7.25 from Grenfell and as usual went to work after breakfast.

Tuesday 25

Up at 7.10 AM. Max, 71.° Min, 50° Went up to the camp of Lord S Horse at Sturgeon Creek range and saw then at fast mounted work. Had a look at the officers mess books, wire book. officers wire a/c. and went into it carefully. The balances had not been brought forward properly by Critchley Cartright had been easy and had not checked him up. P.C. Shaw made a report against the acting adjutant Lieut Arnott the charges are grave, no doubt true but not dictated by a sense of honour or duty but out of spite. Gave orders to Mackie and Cartright to investigate with Major Macdonell. Arnott is a d-d young fool and met knaves, but did not know how to face them. He is in a serious mess.

Arranged to leave for Port Arthur tonight. Ordered Mackie to have the men tested on the quarter mile, in camp. Sandow,

Left for Port Arthur at 9.50 to inspect 96th Regiment. Conger came with me to muster the corps.

Port Arthur. Ont,

Max. 74°. Wednesday 26 Min 60°

Up at 5.30 on train from Winnipeg Arrived at Fort William at 10.00 Miss Allison that was met me there with her sister and was very polite They are on their way to Toronto, and other parts of Ontario. I did not know Miss Allisons new name, nor did she tell me what it is.

Arrived at Port Arthur at 11.00 and was met by Col Laurie and Weyland, was brought to the Lauries. Mrs Laurie and her pretty little daughter Alice met me at the veranda and gave me a warm reception.

I inspected the 96th in the afternoon at 3.30 The regiment is weaker than last year and the equipment not put on uniformly as it ought to be. A contest between companies for the Whyte Cup does not indicate that the cup is any encouragement to the Militia. Ruttan Co. has the best points at drill, but there can be no award until the annual musketry is completed. Col. Laurie, Weyland and I judged the Cos on parade [*sic*] Capt Conger the numbers and books.

Dinner at the Lauries, Col Rae, self, Laurie, Rule(?), Weyland, Young and Conger present.

Port Arthur & Thursday 27 Fort. William,

Up at 6. AM. Pleasant time at the Lauries a fine day. Conger at the books of the regt They are improving from last year.

I lunched at the Weylands. Lt Col. Laurie., Mr Robinson, Conger, self and [blank] were present. Had a chat with Conger about the regiment (96) Gave Conger leave to go to Kenora. He left at 10.15 Capt and Mrs Cauchon called and spent the evening at bridge and conversation. Went to bed at 1.30 The Lauries drove me around the city Mrs Cauchon and the pretty well mannered little ten year old daughter Alice of the Lauries came with us. The city is vastly improving The reporter of the News met me and asked silly questions, silly because I cannot answer them. Asked if war was imminent between Gt Britain and Germany, I said that I could not give anything for publication.
Max. 73°. Min. 52° – Weather fine.

Port Arthur and on train to Winnipeg.

Friday 28

Max. 70°, fine. Friday 28 Min 50° –

Up at 7.00 After breakfast, went to Fort William to see Frank Gibbs. Weyland and the Secretary of the rifle association there, the latter want an officer to attend and take charge of the range at their annual matches. I promised to look into the question of ammunition. The 190th(?) is reported bad. Frank Gibbs says that the farmers of the west are still sending in several hundred cars a week of the wheat held over They must have concealed from the public the quantities held last fall. Weyland agrees with me that the drill should be done by the 96th in the winter, otherwise that there cannot be good parades for inspection.

There must be a drill hall or there can be no success with the Corps.

Went after lunch with Col. Laurie to see the dry dock at current river. It is 800- feet long and will hold a lot of tonnage two good sized ships can be berthed at once. The shops are being built by Americans no Canadians are employed. The workmen have no physique. After dinner went to theatre with the Lauries and took train for Winnipeg at 10.15 Met Weyland at Fort William and got the berth.

Port Arthur to Saturday 29 Winnipeg

Up at 5.30 breakfast west of Kenora. Arrd at 11.30 Went to the office. Saw Mackie. The horses with influenza caught it from those of officers who went to the Country club. Wired Secy. Mil Council that we would be ready to go on the 10th the horses are under observation. Not good accounts of affairs. Both Mackie and Dixon report confidentially that the misbehaviour of Mrs. Vaux and the apparent winking at it of her husband is common talk and no doubt it is all true.

Something must be done. We must not have the corps in contact with such people.

Mackie is willing to take the adjutancy of Lord Strathconas Horse, but it will be necessary to bring him into quarters and have Vaux go out.

Max 70. Min 58° – Sandow a good course. Wrote Lt. Colonel and Mrs. Laurie. Poor private Dixon drowned in the Assineboine, He went from Camp to bath and no doubt caught cramp having gone into the cold water with a full stomach.

Winnipeg,

Sunday 30

Up at 6.15 Max. 66° Min 56° a fine day. Wrote Laurie, Little, and Weyland about the 96th suggesting a parade for the inspection of the regiment on the day of the final shoot off or on some Sunday or holiday. I pointed out that I could not give a favourable report unless this was

done. Mr Robinson of N. York. USA called at night so did Donnelly and Mrs Donnelly. They left at 11.20 Donnelly admired Harwoods sketches. Sandow a lot. Weighed at club. 240 lbs.

Monday 31

Up at 6.45 Max. 68° Min 58° Cool most of the day. Busy all day. Wrote Ottawa reporting Arnott for his stupid conduct. Reported that I reprimanded the President of the mess. Private Dixon was buried today. He drowned in the Assiniboine through playing "wolf" having pretended to require help, and when he did need it he did not get it in time Poor Chap he is only a year out from England and was one of our best men. Sandow as usual. Wrote several letters and signed many. Did much work. Donnelly called about his war record. I told him what to do. The Hasletts came too. I fear there will be trouble with the wheat on account of frost.

August

Winnipeg,
Tuesday 1

Up at 6.30 Max. 68° Min 54° Cool day but sunny. Much fear of wheat not ripening in time to miss the first frost. Busy all day. Wrote confidential report on Lieut Critchley, so did Major Macdonell the next senior officer in the corps. His report and mine differ very much. Sandow a great deal after five P.M. Young Strutt called The girls are having a good time and write good letters to their mother.

Wednesday 2

Up at 6.30 Max 74° Min 56° Busy all day. Manseau called. The scoundrel who was accountant a defeated Dom- candidate formulated false charges against him and having been proved to be a designing liar who had hoped that Colonel Irvine the warden of the Manitoba Penitentiary(sic) would die ~~wh~~ or retire and he would get the billet but as M- was in the way as deputy warden of the penitentiary, has been dismissed, every charge formulated against Manseau having been disproved. Mays and I called on Mrs Cameron who is very anxious about her son Duggy who is studying for the Permanent Force. I sent for Cartright and young Critchley to tell them that I was not satisfied with the way the mess was managed, and to tell Cartright that he would have saved much trouble had he taken it into his head to report to me at once. Sandow a great deal. Wrote many letters.

Winnipeg.
Thursday 3

Up at 7.40 Overslept myself through getting up too early and then going to bed again. Went down town in the P.M and saw the agent of the Federal Life about a loan on my five thousand dollar policy. Was cheerfully met. I assure you he said I will see about the double charges made against me during the SA war. Wired Secy Militia council that I could send the squadron and sixty horses on the 10th instant to Petawawa. D.C Cameron was sworn in as lieut Governor this week. He will have a hard man to follow. It is reported that Sir Daniel McMillan is to run for the Federal House.

Sandow. Max. 66° Min. 58. Much rain. The Manseaus spent the evening with us.

Friday 4

Up at 7.30 Max. 63° Min 56.° Busy all day, received a stupid wire from Ottawa expressing regret that I had taken upon myself to hold Lord Strathconas Horse here without authority from Ottawa when they should have been sent on to Petawawa. I held them after wiring Ottawa that an epidemic of influenza prevailed amongst the horses that fifteen were sick and one had died and that the rest had to be under observation until the 10 when they might be shipped. All of them were isolated. Very wet miserable day. Walked out in the evening with my boy Harwood. It looks promising for a fine day tomorrow. Up later on account of rising too early, going to bed again and -oversleeping in consequence but no harm done. Sandow as usual

Winnipeg
Friday 4

Up at 6.15 Max. 66(?) Min. 56 -

Busy all day. Damnably foolish telegram from Ottawa finding fault because I did not send the sick horses down to Petawawa camp, that it is to say the horses in the district have caught an epidemic of influenza, some of mine have it too, and are isolated, but the V.S states that it is unsafe to send the horses which appear well as they should be under observation all the time until there are no more cases, and that we should not leave until the 10th instant. This of no use to the wisacres in Ottawa. In spite of the fact that the disease is dangerous to other horses and that we shall lose any that catch it on the train as there will be no way nor convenience to treat them The telegrams are little less than scandalous and were it not for the children and Mays I would tell them and all concerned to go to Hades, but I cannot afford to throw away forty years service. Wired full explanation. Cannot get train from C.P.R. until Monday. Sandow.

Saturday 5

Up at 6.20 Max. 70° Min 54°. Busy all day wrote many letters. Got a telegram from Ottawa again censuring me for not sending the squadron down in spite of the influenza. I sent Mackie to get a train and he has assurance of one on Monday night. Sandow. The Sergt Major is afraid to go. Got a letter from Ketchen who is to be here on the 10th Saying too that Mr. Docherty & Mr Deevey are now with 11th Hussars for a brush up

Winnipeg.
Sunday 6

Up at 6.00 Max. 70° Min 60°

Wrote Macdonell to the effect that he must form his men in troops before leaving for Petawawa, and that I would see them all on parade and on the train before they went. Gave leave to the officers to put on chains (shoulder) Shaw A E came first and I refused him but granted it when Mackie later informed me that authority had arrived to enable me to do so. The Mitchells (J.B) and Mackies came to supper. Had quite ~~an ex~~ a talk over Mormonism. Sandow.

Monday 7

Up at 6.30 Max 72° Min 60°. Busy all day inspected the squadron going to Petawawa camp and gave them a few words. Macdonell is in command. Pointed out that they had the credit of their little squadron and Lord Strathconas Horse in their charge. Macdonell called for three cheers for me and a tiger, to which they responded cheerfully and well.

Ketchen returned to-day from England He had been adjutant of the ~~dis~~mounted troops is going to his father-in-laws to get the family together again there is one of the children there. Ketchen had three months leave. Says the western men beat all the Canadians except the M.P. South African Contingent the finest of all, clothes fitted well, they were evidently picked from the Constabulary. There is no doubt the Canadians as usual were Commanded by a damned fool, a politician, not a soldier at all and the officers as a body were useless.

Dixon reported that Ketchen stole ammunition and sold it to the Ashdowns in exchange for guns and other supplies. This is a dreadful affair. One can trust no one. I seem to have got into a nest of iniquity. Sandow

Winnipeg,
Tuesday 8

Up at 6.15 Max 72°. Min 50. Very showery day. Sent Capt Dixon to meet Mr Ashdown and ascertain from him if Capt Ketchen had sold ammunition to his firm. Ashdowns bookkeeper shews that he did dispose of 303. fixed ammunition in return for goods purchased and that there was no dishonest intent on the part of the firm. I do not believe there is Ashdown will(?) satisfy me that both the Hudsons Bay Co and the Kingston Smith Arms Co. are in the habit of purchasing from certain persons whose names we shall get later, probably Captains of rifle associations What vile people for the sake of a paltry two dollars a thousand or so. Ashdown will let me know further today,

Lunched with the Lieutenant Gov. at the club. Present Hon Lieut Cols Brown and Aikins, Lt Col Ruttan, 100th Grens – Mr. Stovel Chairman of Parks board - and Major W.G. Bell. The reason for this is to arrange about a site for a drill hall, a park, with room for drills games swimming baths, gymnastics, etc. The govt to build.

Sandow.

Wednesday 9

Up at 6.30 Max. 66° Min 52. Busy all day. Lt Colonel Thomson called to see me about getting the loan of a bale of blankets to enable him to carry out his shooting on the range. His regiment the 79th Camerons of Canada are doing their shooting there on the Sturgeon Creek range. I told Colonel Thomson all about the irregularities which one alleged in the sale of ammunition to outsiders from rifle ass^{ns} supplies, and by Captain Kitchen. He is much disturbed by this thing, and surprised too He says that he has been on the Klondyke and that had I been in charge there the irregularities which were rife never would have occurred.

Sandow.

Winnipeg
Thursday 10

Up at 7.30 Max 67° Min. 48. Busy. Gave Ketchen the report to read and in reply to. He denied selling ammunition to the firm in question, denied selling any Stated that he disposed of surplus ten bore ammunition to Ashdown firm as he had changed his gun from a ten bore to a 12. He

seems like an innocent man. Dixon got the wrong way about it. He should have got the statements from the Clerks in writing and then they could not have denied Ketchen produced their written emphatic denial of all charges against Ketchen for selling 303 ammunition. It is not correct that we were occupying that office in 1909. We were in the new office when Lt Col Bliss was tried or at least investigated for offenses and had to leave the office. Mays and I went on the excursion of the 100th. Had a pleasant time met many nice people, the boat had about sixteen hundred on board.

Friday 11

Up at 6.30 Busy all morning. Looking into the alleged case of the sale of 303 ammunition. Nothing in it. Left for Gimli by train at 2.20 arrived at 7.30 was met by Harwood Mrs Lipman (?) and Mrs Chandler. Drove to the Mill site farm ½ from Olsons farm. Was kindly received by Mrs. Burrowes Harwood is having a good time with the boys. In swimming in Lake Winnipeg. A pretty spot, sandy beach, water warm. Day warm Sandow before leaving.

At Mill site farm. L. Winnipeg.
Saturday 12

Up at 5.00 swam, dressed, read and loafed all day. The Burrowes boys and Harwood swimming all day long Sergt Chandler came with a letter from Walter Johnston, and Capt. Lipsett. The latter arrives tomorrow walked to Ollsons where fresh eggs butter and vegetables are got.

Sunday 13

Same as yesterday. Walked to Olsons

Mill site Lake Winnipeg.
Monday 14

Up at 5.30 Read, and dawled(?) all day. The boys, Sergt & Mrs Charter swimming all day long This is a civic holiday. Max. 88° min 68°

Winnipeg
Tuesday 15

Up at 3.30. Swam in Lake Winnipeg dressed. After breakfast left with Sgt Chandler, Miss Irene, Harwood, Fred Burrows his chum and driven by Lipman(?) got to Gimli at 6.30 Met by Martin. Mays alone during my absence, poor dear but she would insist upon me going. My only holiday for years except two or three week _____. Max at Wpg 70° min 58. cloudy. Capt. Lipsett the new Staff Officer for the west and Winnipeg in particular called and reported. Has pleasant manners and I received him nicely. Did all I could to help him through the work of getting qrs and an office. Dixon puts him up until he can be settled properly. Sent for Ketchen he produced a document which is a statement of his account at Ashdowns. As far as I can see there is no evidence at all and if the thing was done, Ketchen could be nothing else but a madman to do it, after what happened before that vz Bliss dismissal. QMS Harris ~~on~~ court martial after the Q.M.S was set on fire and the books burned up. Where would he keep the stuff.

Winnipeg

Wednesday 16

Up at 6.30. Max. 70° Min 54° Busy all day. Did not keep the half holiday for myself. I let the others go. Capt Dixon stated that Ketchen on the occasion of the inspection by general Lake stated all letters except the usual "bring forwards" clear and had carried out a lot to hide them, (previous to the inspection of course so that they would not be seen by the general. and Dixon also stated that Captain Bell warned him before he left that there was a lot of back stuff which had been neglected by Capt Ketchen when the latter was Staff adjutant of course. This statement of Bells if made is like the rest of the stuff manufactured in this nest of iniquity prior to my arrival here.

On my visit to the office in the afternoon being disturbed by this yarn about Ketchen hiding letters from general Lake I called in Sergeant Chandler and asked him if such had been done, and replied that it was not so. Capt Ketchen had taken out some "bring forwards to the table in Chandlers office and told him that when General Lake asked for them he was to state that they were bring forwards. Curse the lot One does not know who to believe. The hatred that they have for one another causes them all to to [sic] be ready to make statements derogatory to one another. I must write general Macdonell for leave to put on a detective, to find out about the illicit sale of ammunition. Sandow

Winnipeg Thursday, 17

Up at 6.30 Max. 70° min 50° Busy all Lt Col. Thomson went over the papers re the accusation against Ketchen for selling ammunition and stated that the case was spoiled by Capt Homer-Dixon. He also told me in confidence that Affleck had stated that Ketchen got a rake off or percentage on the sale of the rifle range to us. I was busy all P.M. Sandow. Charlie Bell and Mrs Cameron dined with us at 6.30 They enjoyed themselves. Angus de Bellefeuille called after dinner. Sandow.

Winnipeg
Friday 18

Up at 7.30 Max 70°. Min 60°.

Busy all day. Capt Phillips who is a lawyer came to see about the charge against Ketchen. He stated that Dixon asked him not to tell me that he had been talking to him about Ketchens case and Captain Mackie also rang him up and made a request for Capt Phillips to see him before he saw me or after. Phillips refused as it would cause confusion. It is damnable to see the duplicity of these officers Phillips says that Parker is a ~~scoundrel~~ and game for any crooked trick. He is the man who made a point of complaining that the government was not prompt enough in paying for the rifle range Phillips thinks that it would be difficult for us to prove that Ketchen got a rake of on the sale or purchase of the new range. Sandow. Told Phillips that Affleck stated that K got a rake off on the sale of the range. Sandow.

[no heading]

Up at 6.30. Max. 72°. Min 60° Busy all forenoon in office and at home in the afternoon at home. Capt Hugh Philips (Barrister) came by appointment to see me about the sale of ball ammunition to Ashdowns by Ketchen He thinks that the case has been weakened by the

interview which Dixon had with the clerks in Ashdowns. He also informed me that he was asked by Dixon (Capt) not to tell me that he had seen Phillips before I saw him and talked over the case with him. Capt Mackie also phoned to him and asked to see him before he would meet me, and when Phillips refused to see him then asked if he could see him afterwards. Phillips mentions this confidentially. It has shaken my faith Mackie. I never had any in Dixon, he is a sweep. Sandow. The Mackies came to see Mays and self, so did young Mr Strutt.

Winnipeg.
Saturday 19

Up at 6.30 Max. 70° Min. 54°

Busy all day long. Capt. Lipsett came to see me and asked permission to go with me to Port Arthur and Fort William to see the troops there. I granted it. I feel certain that I will have trouble with this young British officer. These people always come with the impression that we do not know anything and as that is not the sort of thing that I can swallow I shall make a point of seeing that the staff officer sent here does not get such a notion in his head. Curse this service, cursed be the day that I took it into my head to serve such people, or such a country. We are neither fish nor flesh We are like Ham, a servants of servants, who is me - were not for my wife and the poor children I would not serve another day.

I had a long talk with Mackie about the little misunderstanding between him and Colonel Gwynne about an inspection of the squadron being handed over by Belson of the 16th L.H. Mackie now knows that there was no cause for annoyance. I wrote recommending that Lieut Arnott be not retained in the service. Spent evening at the Davidsons Mrs Parker and daughter there.

Sunday 20

Up at 7.30 Max. 78° Min 54°—

Went to church put the usual donation, twenty five cents in the place. Did not go out in P.M. Met Gerty at 11.15 P.M train from Kenora where she has been for several weeks at the hospitable home of the Crispos Mrs Crispo has been very kind. I have been in a very bad temper all day. Have good cause for annoyance. Very Heavy thunderstorm in the evening which lasted for hours. This is bad for the crops. Gertie looks well.

Monday 21

Monday Max. 60° cool. wet and dreary until nightfall Min 54°

Busy all day. Wrote much. Went into the question of the drill halls Got letters from Ottawa to the effect that the quarters for 90th and 79th are cramped and asking me what to do about it what I purposed!! and this after my repeated letters asking for accommodation, for drill halls etc. Went to the Walker theatre taking a party of ladies. Mays Gertie, Mrs. Donnelly, Mrs Mackie, Mrs Davidson and Miss Parker from Med Hat. Flora returned from Grenfell where she has been visiting the Gwynnes, too tired to come.

Tuesday 22

Up at 6.30 Max 60° min 48° Busy all day looking into matters for the estimates Capt Dixon has pleurisy. I made enquiries and find that he is a little better. Got many letters, wrote several. The office is run by Mackie. Drew one hundred dols for travelling expenses. Sandow a lot. Took the Mackies, Major Mitchell, Flora to the coronation moving pictures in colors all were pleased It is a beautiful show and should be better patronized.

Winnipeg,
Wednesday 23

Up at 7. AM. Max. 65°. Min 54°. No mail from the east weather cool Had palpitation for at time, got better towards night. Mr Ross, 18th M.R. called at 8.30 P.M had a pleasant chat with him. Strutt spent the evening so did Ross. Had a long talk with Mackie and ordered that the lieutenants have a lesson on ordnance duties when the [sic] return and be examined Wrote Helmer asking for Lt. Col. Gwynne to inspect R. ass^{ns} Met Haggart accidentally on Portage ave. Sandow.

Thursday 24

Up at 7.00 Max. 70° Min 52° Busy all day or at least until ~~the~~ 4. P.M then went to Colonel Thompsons garden party at St Vital by steamer chartered by him. Major Lipsett came with them. It was a great success I met many nice people there to whom I had not been introduced before now. Everything was done which could be to make the guests happy, good music, good songs, good dancing. The Count de Bury paid too marked attention to a married lady whose conduct has been detrimental Got home at 11.00 P.M. Mays and Flora cam,. the dears enjoyed themselves thoroughly. Sandow. A Mr. H.[blank] Fox. representing the Lake Superior Wagon Co came to see me about taking stock in it, and was quite frank about it telling me that William Mackenzie had none(?) that D.C. Cameron Lt Governor had and is the president that Sir William Whyte has stock Lt Col (Hon) Brown of the 90th the richest man here is in it. He told me that Captain Ketchen took five thousand and paid up half like the rest of them. This is very strange in view of all that has taken place. He could not afford it honestly.
Sandow

Winnipeg
Friday 25

Up a 6.30 Max. 60°. Min 44°. Busy all day. Colonel Rattray called to see me and expressed himself strongly in Militia matters. Thinks G— would not be a popular brigadier, thinks it stupid of the govt to employ British officers their force being now forty years old.

Winnipeg to Fort William,
Saturday 26

Up at 6.00 breakfasted and left for Fort William at 9.00 Train behind time and at Fort William at 10.20 P.M. Capt Lipsett and Mr Lyndon Asst Commissary of Ordnance came with me Lipsett is the new Staff officer from England, who is to teach the Canadians how to organize the militia. He is a queer fish, I foresee trouble with him. Weyland met us at a way station where he had been stumping for Carrick the local candidate for the constituency for the Dom Elections to be held on the 21st ultimo I went with Weyland on arrival, and Capt Lipsett and Lyndon went to the

Avenue hotel where Weyland had got them rooms. Weyland and I sat up until 1 AM the 27th. A church parade had been arranged for tomorrow morning the 27th. It rained hard during the night. Sandow for limbs. Max. 52°. Min, 43.°-

Fort William,

Up at 6.30 Max 53° Min in Wpg, 43.

The 96th paraded for church as the ground in the arena is too wet. More men turned out than at annual inspection of the Corps. There was a good service. I inspected the men after parade.

The church is a very pretty one. A good sermon was preached. The men were smart and clean. Met Miss Laurie and ~~other~~ persons Peter McKellar and wife. After dinner at Weylands at which Capt Young Capt Lipsett and Lyndon were, Peter and Donald McKellar came to see me at Weylands after dinner and were very nice. The(y) asked me to bridge whist on the Tuesday, Lyndon having said that there was ~~much~~ a train at ~~1.3 130.00/100~~ one thirty AM. I promised to go on the Tuesday. Sandow.

Fort William,
Monday 28

Inspected the equipment of the four companies of the 96. Lyndon went over it thoroughly every strap and buckle was inspected. We were busy from ten AM until the afternoon. All lunched at Weylands. The companies had their stuff in good order, the new room being a great success in comparison to the past. Sandow. Sat up late

Max 52. Min, 41. in Winnipeg,

Fort William to Ft Frances.
Tuesday 29

Up at 7.00 Lyndon and I inspected the Cos at Port Arthur. Ruttans the best of all Those of Dawson Cauchon and Kelly were not good, the latter the worst. The officers had us to lunch at the Marriagi. Present the Lt Colonel and Majors Lipsett and Lyndon with me. I left at 4.00 for here and all of us by train at 5.40 arrd at Fort Frances at 1.30 and went to the Emperor hotel and to bed Raining hard. Sandow. L says that Lipsett is very green, inexperienced indeed and a perfect ass. Made a show of himself on the train when the waiter accidentally fell against him. Sandow.

Max. 60° Min° 41. In Winnipeg

Fort Frances. to Wpg.
Wednesday 30

Up at 7.00 breakfast at 8.00 Lipsett and Lyndon nearly missed their meal breakfast. Inspected the trains equipment ~~next~~ at 10 heavy rain. the stuff in fair order but like all the ____ the leather needs dubbing.

After lunch visited the fine works at International Fall. Backus is the prop. The business is pulp. The power electric the generators on the Canadian side.

Met several old friends Mr Wright was one of them he is Indian agent

Left for here at 2.20 Lyndon had a lot of trouble about tickets. Rained all day
Cold and raw.

Max 62° Min 52. in Winnipeg

Winnipeg
Thursday 31

Up at 7.00. Arrived here at 9.15 by the CNRy. and got news of Mr Henry Harwoods death, he is Mays uncle. Set to work to write, did not go to the office. Fine day. Max 70. Min 58

Max 64. Min in Wpg 51.

Capt Phillips called and gave me an account of what occurred since I left the city. He went down to Ashdowns and accompanied by Captain Dixon interviewed the clerk already named but got nothing out of him except that he admitted telling Dixon that he got 303 ammunition from Capt Ketchen, but added that he did it to draw Dixon on. Such bosh. Why would he want to draw Dixon on. There is no doubt that there is something wrong. Capt Phillips also tells me that the agent of the Lake Superior Waggon Co. informed him that Ketchen bought five thousand in stock paid two thousand five hundred on a/c and on his return to Canada from the Coronation asked him how much he owed on the balance stating also that he would pay it up if he would let him know. He also stated to Phillips that Ketchen is worth ~~five~~ One hundred thousand dollars. Ketchen got a rake off the [*written over "his"*] Rifle range

September

Friday 1

Up at 7. AM. Max. 72° [*written over 60*] Min 50° [*written over 58*]
Office all day. Sent off estimates for the coming year. Annual training estimates include enough money to bring the four regiments to camp, 79th 90th 96th 100th. Capt Lipsett did not study the estimates sufficiently or he would not have asked for five thousand dollars for local work of the Winnipeg brigade. He was quite surprised when I pointed out that four days in camp for the city regiments would be required and had been asked for. Colonel Thomson called to get leave for the corps (79th) to have the range for a shoot next week and asked me to go. I promised to do so, He said he intended to retire ~~this~~ next spring and we discussed the successor but I ~~wro~~ suggested his finishing the terms of Command. He said when I hinted that I would go myself that I should not, for I had made the district from nothing and that he had heard such fine things said of me on his trip up to the Yukon this year. Mrs and Douglas Cameron.

Winnipeg
Saturday 2

Up at 6.30b Max 70. Min 44°b Busy all day. bCapt Dixon came by apptment and I asked him to tell me all about the Ketchen case and he stated that he went with Capt Hugh Phillips and called at the Ashdown store they met Mr Cartwell there and he stated to Philips in the presence of Dixon that he had said that ammunition had been sold (303) by Ketchen but did it to draw him out. This is nonsense, the beast lied. He has been bought over by Ketchen. I must sift this to the bottom. We all went to the Donnelly pic nic and enjoyed it. Got home at 11.30 P.M. a pleasant day,
Sandow.

Sunday 3

Up at 5.30. AM. Shaved. Then went to bed again. Up at 8.30 Went to church at ~~once~~. 11. . Had a chat with Ruttan. He agrees with me that we want paid adjutants and Sergt Major before brigade Majors, and prefers Canadian to see to it. Sandow a lot at 5.00
Wrote Col Thomson about alleged percentage on the rifle range by Ketchen. Wrote Capt Phillips on the same subject and the sale of ammunition to Ashdowns firm. Wrote Gwynne to say that Lydon and I would be there on the 11th. Wrote Lord Strathcona thanking him for his consent to take the Hon Colonelcy of Lord S. Horse. Sandow as usual twice a day half an hour. Max. 68. Min. 58,
Mr. Milne called and spent the evening with us. Gertrude and Flora had a visitor in Miss Davidson.

Winnipeg Monday 4

Up at 7. AM. Max 58. Min. 44° Sandow half an hour. Took a walk to see the labour parade. A fine sturdy lot of men in the ranks. The firemen had the best show of the lot, fine horses and other outfit ~~succa(?)~~ covered with union Jacks. Donnelly called to see me and Mrs D. to see Mays. Donnelly told me that he thought that Ketchen was a liar and a cad, that hed told him to his face that he was a rotten and in the presence of Arnott. I believe him. The man is a vile double faced villain, a scoundrel, who would turn like a cur on the hand that fed him. I talked with Donnelly and suggested his taking contracts instead of going on a salary. Sandow several times, about one hour.

Tuesday

Up at 7.20 Max. 56.° Min. 38°
Sandow. Busy all day. Colonel Barton called to see me accompanied by Lt Col Rogers and the Panet boys RC.HA and Ordnance Corps. I wrote to the people at Ottawa to recommend that there should be several thousand dollars for special training outside of the annual for the men of City Corps. Spent evening at the Pennefathers and called to see if the Macleans would be home. He is at Ottawa making his report. Sandow twice today.

Winnipeg, Tuesday 5

Up at 7.am Sandow a lot. Max 50.° Min 40°. Busy until 2. P.M. then as it

Wednesday 6

Up at 7. Max 50. Min 40.°. Sandow a great deal, busy in office until nearly two P.M. Mail small to-day. Wrote several letters Lt Col O'Grady called to see me about rifles, the rifle range. and other regimental matters. There was an unpleasantness last night between Capt Conger and Capt Lipsett. It is too bad. Conger came to say that it occurred. Lipsett without cause called him a fool and he lost his temper sprang to his feet and told him not to dare to call him a fool. He should have left the table and room instead I am surprised at Lipsett. He surely knows that no gentleman would call one such a name. Sandow again at night.

Winnipeg,
Thursday 7

Up at 6.45 Max. 56° Min 38° Fine Sunny day, a rarity this summer. Busy all day. The tailor wrote up my measure He is not my regular one. The representative is a decent sort I wrote all evening We expected the Panet boys but they could not come they had to go to Edmonton with Lt Colonel Rogers. Sandow a lot. Wrote introduction to Red River expedition Torla dear girl is writing it up in proper style I think she will do it well.

Friday 8

Up early. busy all day. returns.

Winnipeg to Grenfell by train
Saturday 9

Up early. Left by early. and on arrival was met by Gwynne. Went to the Gwynne to stay until the inspections are over I am to inspect at Grenfell at 10.00 on Monday. Max. 63. Min 41°. Sandow. Sat up late. There was a Croquet party going on

Grenfell.
Sunday 10

Up at 8.20 Garden Party for Croquet at the Gwynnes, met a lot of young people there. Max 70° Min 43° Weather delightful. Sat up late. Sandow
Max.

Grenfell.
Monday 11

Major Wright called and arranged to come in tomorrow morning. Mr ~~Lan~~(?). Drove us out to Major Wrights at 3 PM where we after inspecting the stables and viewing the farm from the elevated place on the roof an observatory. Saw the garden and then dinner. Mr and Mrs Claxton had motored us out to the Wrights. Sat up late, Max 71° Min 45°– Sandow.

Grenfell.
Tuesday 12

Up at 6 A.M. Max in Winnipeg, 60° Min do. 42° Min 42°
My Lyndon. asst Commissary of ordnance came on time and we inspected Colonel Gwynnes Head Qrs equipment first. Armoury clean and in good order. Gallery amn boxes should have been written off in camp I have ordered it to be made all right. All clear. Equipment in good order.

After inspecting Colonel Gwynnes went on with Major Wrights.

Grenfell, Sask
Tuesday ~~Wednesday~~ 13 12th

Up at 5.30 Max. 70° Min 42. Inspected Major Wrights squadrn of the 16, L.H. at this place. It is the transfer of Mjr Belson to Major Wright.

Took Motor car after we had finished and went to Wolseley and inspected troops of Crozier and Garden. ~~We(?) later had~~ Croziers in good order then dinner at their home. Inspected Gardens troop had his equipment in fair order considering we had to collect it from the men.

We then returned to Grenfell and were escorted by both to the train and got back here in good time. Major Wright was present

13th -

Regina from Grenfell, Indian Hd and Quappelle. ~~Thursday 14~~ Wednesday

Up at 4.30. and took train at 7. AM for Indian Head. Inspected Glens books- they were in good order. Met Mr Challoner there, he is book keeper for the Glen farms. Glen likes him He came from Africa with us. We were given fruit. Glen, Mrs Glen and the daughters came to Quappelle with us in two motors They are nice people. They returned to Glens home Indian head at once.

We were met by Harvey and had lunch there. Several ladies were ~~called~~ present. After lunch 3.30 O.C 2.30 O.C. I inspected the equipment of Garners troop, then tea at the Garners, then the train to Regina. Mr Supt McGregor brought Gwynne and me into his private car and chatted.

He was meeting the Reg Commissioners. Arrd at Regina on time

Max. 64. Min, 53. Garner took us to Dinner at the club. He felt annoyed at Gwynne for not having us lunch with him. Had miserable room at the Kings hotel. Met Wright.

Regina. Sask

Friday 15

Up at 5.00 and got a room with bath. Lunched with Major Carman. Dined alone at the hotel Phoned Mrs C.E.D Wood who asked me to lunch I called there at night no one at home Had a long chat with Major Embrey He has no complaints, told him that Col Smith had a right(?) the Head Qrs at Saskatoon. Told Embrey that I had recommended the Corps to be a city one.

With Lyndon inspected part of two troops of C. 16th L.H. The equipment not properly accounted for ordered that it be ready second week in ~~August~~, October

Inspected two cos of 95th Rifles Told the Captains to be careful to employ their Colour Sergts, that the officers shd not be taking off their coats, when they have non coms to do it Lunched at the Woods. Left by train after inspecting the last of the 95th

Left by the evening train for Winnipeg Perry on the train. Did not see him

Max. 64.° min, 51.

Winnipeg

Saturday 16

Up at 6.00. Arrd on the Imperial Limited, train, and went up to work at the office. Not much correspondence to see, or attend to but kept worrying about different matters by Capt Lispett. I wish the govt would exercise some sense and not bring out more shoal The whole of the G. Staff from England none of them understand the country or the people, thus compelling the Canadian DOC to teach them and at the same combat so many of their suggestions. Had a long talk with Carman in the AM. and told him what to do. ~~Lunched at the C.E.D. Woods. and left by train~~

Max. 70.°. Min 50°

Winnipeg,
Sunday 17

Up at 8.00 Max. 70. Min 50°. Busy all day getting rid of my back correspondence Would have gone to church but had no time. The children had friends to see them. Harold Henson came and spent the evening. He is off to McGill to study architecture. Miss Loa Pozer(?) came at the same time. Sandow a lot in the AM. Read Sir William Butler at night, a well written book. Sandow a lot.

Monday 18

Up at 7.30. Max.[blank] Min. [blank] Sandow. at 8.00. Busy until one, had a long talk with Macdonell he is pleased with the troop and camp at Petawawa. Likes the general The men behaved well, with one exception I told him about sport and other matters of discipline. Officers for examinations to be given the afternoons and evenings to themselves to study. Weather cold and wet miserable in the extreme. Sandow Spent afternoon at work at home. Flora busy writing for me.

Winnipeg
Monday 18

Up at 6.45 Max. 50° Min. 42 Busy in office all forenoon. Arranged for the line of discipline and organisation of the corps (Lord S Horse) Miserable day. Sandow a lot. Mr Strutt called.

Tuesday 19

Up at 6.30 Max. 62° Min. 44° Sandow twice a great deal. Routine all day in office small mail from Ottawa. Spent evening with the Pennefathers

Tomorrow
Election day, Winnipeg, for Dominion,
Wednesday 20

Up at 6.30 Max. 56° 46° Routine wrote all afternoon, my reminiscences Several young fellows spent the evening Major Mitchell came to see me about a Sergeant Major for the 100th Grenadiers. Sandow a lot.

Dominion day elections held this 21st Sept.

Thursday 21

Up at 6.45 Max. 60° Min 44° This election day. results in favour of Conservative anti-reciprocity people are overwhelming over fifty majority of members for the House of Commons. Sandow

Winnipeg
Friday 22

Up at 6.30 Max. 50. Min 40° Fine in forenoon, windy and cold in the PM There seems to be great jubilation in Winnipeg at the results of the election. I have taken no part except to vote, as

I do not believe in public officers doing so, but they all seem to think that I ought to be pleased I am sorry for Sir Frederick Borden's defeat, as he had the interests of the militia at heart. I must do my best now to get my rights. Sandow The Mackies with us in the evening,

Saturday 23

Up at 7.30 Max 46° Min 32° morning dark and cool. Busy all day. Wrote Sir Frederick Borden for my rights. I also wrote Brigadier Gen Macdonald on the same subject. It is high time that I got my rights. I have asked for my brevet which was taken from me when I got the appointment of D.O.C. Sandow a lot. Muscles improved much. Good friend Edwd. Mutch sent me a box of peaches from Okanagan. This is the first frost registered on my thermometer since spring opened.

Winnipeg to Brandon
Sunday 24

Up at 7.30 Max. 51 [2 *changed into a* 5] - Min 34° Was busy writing all forenoon left at 2.40 PM with Qmr Lyndon to inspect 99th at Brandon and other posts. Arrd. at Brandon at 7.30 train heavy and behind time. Major John Clark met us there. I went to his house, Lyndon to a hotel. Hotels crowded, poor accommodation Sandow for legs and arms. Sat up late

Brandon.
Monday 25

Up at 6.30. Max in Winnipeg 51° Min 33°
Proceeded to the armoury and inspected the 99th Cos. in forenoon, except one inspected it in the PM. All in good order. Caretaker has the arms all right Took stock of everything. We all went with Major John Clark to see the new asylum which he is building Went all over it, a fine large place over 300 ft in length - and fire proof walls of solid brick floors of concrete ceilings do. Dined as usual at the Clarks and then supped with the officers of the city units. Gave them a good talk. Capt Whillier stated that the regt did not get fair play in camp and the water supply was given to the composite rgt before them. Will see Major Carey about it Sandow as usual. At supper arranged to meet reporters of local papers and give them particulars of Lord Strathconas trust. Lyndon gave lecture on ordnance.

Brandon to Souris & back,
Tuesday 26

Up at 7.45 [*written over 30*] AM. Max in Winnipeg 54 Min. do. 31. Up at 6.00 but went to bed again as no one was moving. Went to drill hall and met two reporters on the papers here and gave them for publication full particulars of Lord Strathconas trust and a lot more re cadets and militia. Loaned them my circular to teachers. Promised to send them the names of the teachers who passed in Wpg. Went to Souris in the afternoon and inspected the Company. Capt Hendersons, Major Young motored us around the town and parks. He has a fine house. Sandow Sat up late with John. We were motored out to Souris, Capt Whilliers car. He and Kirkaldy came. Lyndon and I enjoyed trip beautiful country, fine stacks of wheat crops excellent.

Brandon Portage LaPrairie, Winnipeg

Wednesday 27

Up at 4.30 max in Winnipeg 40° Min 32. At Brandon cold and raw, north wind. Left my kind host and hostess Major and Mrs Clark after breakfast at 7.30 by Brandon Local to Portage LaPrairie. Lt Colonel Rankin had not warned his Cos there. We phoned Snider and he came down- motored us up, shewed us the threshing-machine. Miserably cold wind from north. Wheat thirty odd bushels per acre. Snider has 800 acre farm two in all. Saw everything on the home farm, had nice lunch. Went on to town in Sniders motor inspected the Cos. they have miserable accommodation for the equipment. We were motored around the town and parks and came away at 4.40 and arrd in Winnipeg at 6.00 house at 6.15 Left Lyndon at hotel. Col the Hon Lambton of the Coldstream guards came to see me from his car and we chatted over old times to Winnipeg. He says Major Stewart is dying. The Mackies at the house and also the children had a party. E___ Mitchell, came and young cousin as escort. To bed at mid night.

Winnipeg,
Thursday 28

Up at 6.30. Max 40. Min 36. Wet and miserable all day. Busy all day, discussed drill armouries ectc [sic] with the Dist Engineers and the Staff officer. Gave orders for letters to be written on all points to the department of Militia and defence, Ottawa. Nothing to be left unsaid in the effort to get armouries, drill halls and rifle ranges. Sandow. Mays and I went to ~~the~~(?) the banquet to Sir Daniel about four hundred and fifty sat down Sir William Whyte in the chair spoke well Sir Daniel made a nice speech recognizing old friends and comrades in the assemblage. This is said to be the best dinner or banquet ever given. A beautiful centre peice [sic] and candalabra of solid silver was given to Sir Daniel and Lady MacMillan, and beautiful bouquets were presented. Sandow a lot. Got home at 1.30 Dress was mufti and decorations.

Friday 29

Up at 7.30. Max. 54° Min 40° Fine day. The Hendersons Elmes and Jim, and Mrs Henderson Freda called and took tea. I dined with them at the hotel Alexandra. Came home late. Busy until 4.30 P.M. Routine matters. Board to finish examinations of Lieut Russell for captain. Sandow a lot. Arranged with Lyndon where to go next in our tours of inspection. The Hendersons are ~~busy and~~ jolly over the results of the elections.

Winnipeg
Saturday 30

Up at 7.30 Max 60° [*written over 40*] Min 44. Busy all day. Routine.

October

Sunday 1

Up at 7.30 Max. 60. Min 44° Wrote all day. J.A.M. Aikins K.C. [*written over QC*] called to ask about and armoury or armouries on his Constituency. I told him the names of the places which ~~he had~~ recommended (I had and he went away) Milne called to see us in the evening. Left at 11.30 Did not go to church. Sandow a lot.

Complaint men had no tea last night for supper. and that mess is in debt. ~~He~~ I have trouble with that mess Cartwright is to blame this time Will stop the money out of the pay of the officer administering the affairs of the mess. Sandow.

Winnipeg.
Monday 2

Up at 7.20 Heavy rain all night. Max 56° Min 48° Much to do all day Capt Dixon back at duty as Staff adjutant. Mackie has been doing his work. I am sorry that he has not the appointment, He is worth a lot to any man.

Tuesday 3

Up at 7.20 Max 48. Min. 40 Busy all day. Sent recommendations to Hd quarters for drill halls and armouries Sent for Macdonell and Mackie to say that I had heard that there was talk all around the barracks to the effect that Lt Arnott had stated that he had been in the Red Light dist with Capt Conger, and that such was not true and that I had mentioned that there should have been nothing said about by Macdonell as I spoke to him in strict confidence. He stated that Mackie had told him. This Mackie denied, with reason Sandow a lot.

Winnipeg
Wednesday 4

Up at 7.00 Max 50° Min 40° Busy all day at routine. Wrote Lord Strathcona again as my letter mailed on the 1st could not have caught him More explanations will be needed, and I gave him the full a/c of the outrageous treatment which I have received. Wrote Gus Harwood and sent him a long list of the troubles also the militia lists of April 07 and April 08 In the first I am a Colonel next to Lessard in the second I am a lieut Colonel about No one hundred and fifty on the roll. I told Lord Strathcona that I could resign in the spring if I did not get my rights. Inspected the No 11. Co A.S.C. which I found in first class condition. Lyndon took stock and I examined the state of things.

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Up at 7.30. Max 60. min 44° Wet at intervals. Miserable weather Crops still in the fields. Inspected the Coronation Company of the 79th Camerons. They looked well and drilled well too. I addressed them in words of approval. The [*sic*] cheered me a lot. Had a chat with Major de Charne(?) who told me that he was still a second class clerk in the post office. Had been stepped over by a lot of Toronto young men brought up by the Inspector of post offices. He had no credit given to him. Post master a dyed in the wool party man. Sandow a lot.

Winnipeg
Thursday 5

Max. 60°. Min 46° Sandow Busy all day. Wrote a good deal Up at 7.30 Sandow twice.

Friday 6

Up at 5.30 Wrote until 8.30 Office all day Wrote at night. To bed at 11.30 O'Grady called to see me about the cup, Eaton cup, competition. Friend from Calgary called(?) to buy a lot.

Winnipeg. Man
Saturday 7

Up early. Busy at writing. In office all morning. Arranged to get off tomorrow morning and proceed on a tour of inspection.

Winnipeg to Maple Creek. Inspection.
Sunday 8

Up at 6.30 Left by ten P.M train ~~to come~~ for Maple Creek, accompanied by Mr Lyndon Asst. Commissary of ordnance in my dist. Went to bed at midnight. Pleasant bright moonlight night. Farmers along route threshing. Enormous quantity of unthreshed Crop to be seen enroute.

Maple Creek.
Monday 9

Up at 6.00 AM. met Dr. McEachern on train and had a long and pleasant chat. Said that the govt wished to send Major Walsh in command of ~~the~~ Lord Strathconas Corps to the Boer war and that he told Sir Wilfred that all the people wished me and that Lord Strathcona would not permit Walsh to take command. He told me much more.

Arrived at Maple Creek at 6.20 P.M and having arranged that the CP.Ry would stop there to let me off we were all right. Many nice people called. Good hotel, nice rooms meals well served. Met Abbott late SM N.W.M. Police, Redmond late Sergt do. do. Douglas late S.M. stock rancher and postmaster. Had long chats about the force. All are down on the present Commissioner who has disfranchised all conservatives in the force where possible to send them where they could not vote. The people who are hardest against him are Liberals which I think speaks for itself.

Max at Wpg 64° [*written over 40*] Min. 40

Maple Creek.
Tuesday 10

Up at 6.30 AM. Major Tenaille came at 11 AM. Inspected the equipment after lunch It is in good condition. Lyndon checked it all and kept record of deficiencies There has been no dubbing sent to the sqdn ordered that they get supply

Called on the Begins Begin not at home He lives in separate qrs from Mrs Begin. The ladies- Mrs. and Miss Begin chatted gaily but spoke ill of present conditions in the force. It is sad to see the neat but empty barracks. Sandow at night. Spent evening at the Englishs where I met Miss Dunne and a young English lady, and young Dunne from Lethbridge with a friend. They are on CPRy express business.

Max Wpg 64. min. 42°

Maple Creek to Swift Current & Moose Jaw
Wednesday 11

Up at 6.30 AM. Took morning train at 6.35 and arrived at Swift Current at 10. Inspected 13 squadron, before lunch. They are green. Will have to be straightened out. O.C. is bright but must come down and take a course. All officers are going to take courses this winter
Met Mr Sanders late MP. now rich
Left by afternoon train for Moosjaw and was met by Tuxford and Simpson
Dined with them
Max Wpg 63°. Min, 51°.

Moosejaw to Regina,
Thursday 12

Up at 6.30 Could not inspect the ___ equipment of A Sqdn They have no place to put it. It is infernal the way these people are placed. They must get an armoury as there is a free site for it. Left for Regina early and met the officers at the club. Inspected the headqrs stuff. Lyndon checking it. He is excellent and valuable. The inspection is for tomorrow Sandows spring grip dumb.bells. Max 64. Min 50° - Wpg.

Regina,
Friday 13

Up at 6.30 AM Carman not ready for inspection, this is the third chance I have given him. Lyndon checked the Headqrs stuff of the 95th regiment. Lunched with Wood and bishop. After lunch wrote letters and mailed post cards to the children, to Hugh Clarke and others. Wrote Colonel Sam Hughes about the armouries also Hugh John about Jim and Major Descharme and other matters Wrote long letter to Bennett of Simcoe, my native Country, informed him of my treatment. Lyndon inspected Major Bishops equipment which was in good order. Left for Saskatoon at midnight,
Max Wpg. 62° [*written over 64*] Min, 45°

Saskatoon.
Saturday 14

On train all night Arrd at 6.30 and with Lyndon went to the Western hotel where we got rooms. Lunched at the Ross, nice time. With Lyndon inspected the A Squadron 29 L.H. in good order. Met Lt Col Smith 95th and inspected his Cos. all but one in the forenoon. Was taken to the theatre at night by Lt Col. Acheson 29th L.H. accompanied by the Mortons the Colonels partner in law. Supped at the Mortons, a pleasant time To bed at 3. AM. 15th Sandow.
Max Wpg 53°. Min 40°

Saskatoon.
Sunday 15

Up at 8.00 wrote letters. Called on the Aikins Supped at the Achesons. Met Parson a Mr Coulthurst, a relative of Major Coulthurst (Sir Charles) of 2nd 17th Leicestershire who was the senior major when I took a course there in 1866.

Met officers of garrison and did what I could to have them see about a rifle range. Asked the OC to consult with the Rifle Association people about the range.
Ground of drill hall too small.
Had a pleasant evening, met Major (retired) Vershoyle Young
Max Wpg 60° Min 40°

Monday 16

Up at 6.30 G.Co inspected. In fair shape arms racks needed. Inspected Hed qrs Stuff not well looked after. Told Colonel Smith not to loan stuff to companies. He must I told him look after his own. Col Smith states that he got orders not to move his equipment to Saskatoon from Regina.

Capt Campbell motored Lyndon and I out to Allen 46 miles where we inspected Major Langs squadron. In first class order. D of 29th a splendid man Lang and Capt Williams is an excellent officer. Lang came to see me. There is much grain to thresh Grand country, grain in stock yet.
Max Wpg 53.° Min, 44°

Saskatoon to Prince Albert. Sask.
Tuesday 17

Up at 6.30 With Lyndon inspected the headqrs. equipment of 29th L.H. All- correct has never been unpacked. Is in the basement of the Post office.

After lunch left for Prince Albert at 4.15 arrived at 8.15 met by Major Shannon and a party of officers Capt Seale and others and a number of pipers who played us to the smoking concert in the annex to the hotel. Put up at small hotel before going. I spoke a few words on Lord S Trust. Met many old friends and a territorial colonel who seemed to be well treated by Shannon and officers of both units. He is in charge of the Hudsons bay stores. Went to bed at 3.00 am the 18th
Sandow none
Max. Wpg. 53° min 41°

Prince Albert.
Wednesday 18

Up at 6.30 AM. With Lyndon went through the squadron of the 27th Capt Seale. and the Cos of the 95th under Shannon.

Guest of Canadian club and spoke on Lord Strathconas trust, origin of same acct given, object, system of administration Instruction of teachers. The club seemed to be interested. I asked their assistance. Sandow We were motored to the M. Police barracks to see Constantine and the Pennefathers. Had a long chat with Constantine & Mrs Constantine He is very ill from typhoid I cheered him up.

Dined with the officers. The HBCo. Col present.
Max Wpg 53.° Min- 40°

Prince Albert to Saskatoon,
Wednesday 18

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Prince Albert to Saskatoon,
Thursday 19

Up at 6.30 Lyndon inspected the RA of Prince Albert. Called on Mrs Strickland and had long chat. She looks well

Seale went with me. Buster is in the bank of commerce. Spoke about many things. Lunched with Mr Brunson, a lot said about Perry Comr. M. Police.

The 19 Lt(?) Colonel there too. He asked for the Command of the new regiment in Prince Albert said he had brigadier generals certificates what rot, also that he would not serve under Shannon.

I told Shannon in strict confidence. I threw cold water on the colonels application. He is a cad.

We left P.A. at 2.30 Perry Comr. N.W.M.P. there to see Constantine did not see him. Saw Archdeacon Mackay (John) there.

Got to Saskatoon. Nice dinner at the western hotel by the officers of the garrison of city. I spoke so did Col Smith who was in the chair L Colonel Acheson. and major Aikins 29th LH Capt Campbell spoke too, he motored to grand trunk and took train to Winnipeg. There were several who saw us off. What a good lot of officers they are.

Max Wpg 50. min 33°.

Saskatoon to Winnipeg, Man
Friday 20

Up at 6.30. Miserable attention in the dining car too few waiters. Arrived at the Winnipeg in the afternoon at 2.15

The road bed is good but the attention and lay out much behind CPRy.

Max Wpg 41°. Min, 31,

Winnipeg
Saturday 21

Up at 7.30. Max 36° Min 32° cold and raw. Office many letters to write The exam of class by Colonel Crowe and Staff going on. Got hold of papers which shews Ketchen on the Ashdown Committee Ordered Staff Adjut to send for Mackie I also asked Mackie to write Ketchen and ask for an explanation of his conduct in Contrary to K R and O mixing up in politics.

Gwynne called and had the same old story, about the Staff Adjutant. He is right. H.D. is a damned fool. Wrote Gus Harwood in reply to his and stated that I would not ask him to help.

Winnipeg Man
Sunday 22

Up at 7.45 Max 36. Min 34° (34) Wrote up diary Wrote twenty private letters to different persons whose correspondence had been held over during my absence on inspection tour. I have a bad cold in my chest and did not go out to-day. Minnie Macdonell has made up with Carstairs again.

Monday 23

Up at 7.00 Max 40°. Min 30°. Very busy. Went to the military night of 90th regiment. Play the best, the house the best yet well arranged. Did not like my seats one bit, nor to go on stage to present the prizes. Won by Harwood 90th The(y) won one fifth of the prizes at Ottawa.

Tuesday 24

Up at 7.00 Max 36°. Min 34° Busy all day. Dined at mess . Dinner to Colonel Crowe of the army Comdt RMC, who has been examining officers attending Staff Course here the Lieut Governor & Sir Daniel Macmillan ____ Osler, Gwynne and Kirby, Mowbray–Berkely Young Critchley were the guests. It went off well. I am suffering from a bad cold. Sandow.

Wednesday 25

Up at 5.45 Max 36° Min 22° Met Mrs Harwood at train . Busy all forenoon. in office Major Shanley called to see me. He is with Lieut Governor Gibson, Masonic ____

Winnipeg, Thursday 26

Up at 7.45 Max. 34°. Min 22° Busy all day until 5.00 then went to the hospital to see Captain Conger. He is beginning to see objects dimly. Gwynne took the children to the Orpheum theatre, very kind of him. Major Paulet called to see me Gwynne too. Had a chat. Sandow

Friday 27

Up at 7.45 Max 34° Min 20° up at 3.30 Sandow. Busy all day. Arranging so that if the Hon the Minister comes to see us I shall have a large amount of “wants” ready for him I hope he will come. Wrote many letters and seven private ones. Gwynne dined with us.

Winnipeg Saturday 28

Up at 6.30. Max. 42. Min 32°. Busy all forenoon There is a report to the effect that the Chief of Staff has been here, that the Minister of Militia and he are expected here on Tuesday next. I have notes made for them. Capt Dixon was informed by the Hon Robt Rogers that he would like me to call and see him Sandow.

Sunday 29

Up early Temperature 38 Max. Min 20°
Marching and firing for Eaton cup to begin at 9.15 tomorrow Thanksgiving day.

Winnipeg, Monday 30

Up at 7.30 Thanksgiving day. Eaton cup Competition. A 90th won the cup, Score 182. Lord S. Horse 2nd with 120.00 twenty six teams entered. Max. 30° wind cold west. Min 16° Sandow Donald McGregor and wife Esther with us. Several conventions etc. etc going on.

Tuesday 31

Up at 6.30 Max 20° Min 18° Busy all day. Telegram from Colonel Sam Hughes asking me to meet him at noon. He is coming with a party consisting of major Gen. and Mrs. MacPherson, Miss Hughes. Times are dull, weather raw, cold wind got Ketchen to put our names down in the book at govt house. Sandow.

Hon Robt Rogers wishes to see me at the office at 9.15 AM(?) tomorrow, A.M.

November

Winnipeg,
Wednesday 1

Up at 6.30 Max. 24 Min, 10° above Weather fine but raw. The Minister of Militia Sam Hughes, Major Gen Mackenzie the Secretary ~~and~~ then Hughes and Mrs Mackenzie. I went down and met them Mrs. Taylor, Sam Hughes neice was there with her husband. Roblin, Coldwell, Colin Campbell and others met. We went up to the barrack grounds and drill hall then to the premiers office and arranged for the land ~~needed for~~ the barrack square and the barracks to be handed over to the Man govt for govt House, and after some discussion they decided to give us land for barracks I then went home and in the evening Sam dined us all, and there was much talk Premier Roblin himself gave us much useful conversation on Imperialism, and plainly shewed that England must do something if she is to retain her position with regard to us We give her a preference she gives the Dominions none whatever. Sam took me aside after the dinner and said that he would give me the western comm and including the whole prairie country and the Colonel Smith was framing something for him. He says he will resolve Smith and Gregory.

Thursday 2

Up at 6.30 Max 34° Min 10° Busy all morning. Did much. L Col Thomson called to say good bye as he is going east for a fortnight He said he came to thank me for the way I have acted towards him and his regiment, the 79th I replied that I valued his friendship very much. J B Mitchell, WJ. Maclean, Dr and Mrs Davidson spent the evening with us. McGregor was wondering how Maclean could be so polished after years in the wilderness.

Winnipeg
Friday 3

Up at 6.30 Max 40° Min 20°. Fine day. Busy at reports. Aikins phoned saying that he would like to ~~promote~~ put Fraser ex officer of Lord S Horse back into the corps I gave him his character. Sandow.

Saturday 4

Up at 6.30 Max. 40° Min 20° Busy in office until one P.M. then at home Wrote. Had a long talk with the secy of the annual ball committee. Suggested that the officers who paid the most such as the seniors would be allowed to invite more guests and that the ball would be the wind up of the season, just before Lent. Told him that as the last years ball was such a success we must keep close to the same lines. Sandow— Weather pleasant.

Winnipeg
Saturday 4

Max. 42° Min 33° up at 7.45 Wrote all day. Spent evening at Donnellys. Asked him to find a good spot for a barracks on the banks of the Red River.

Sunday 5

Up at 7.30_ Max 40. Min 33_ wrote all day, called on the Donnellys

Winnipeg
Monday 6

Up at 7.00 Max. 40. min 32. Busy all day. Sent for Lieut Arnott so as to read a letter to me from A.G. This was done in the presence of Major AC. Macdonell and Capt Mackie. Gave Arnott a lecture Mr McGregor left for Yorkton. Had a long talk about the white slavery. He is sound.

Tuesday 7

Up at 7.30 Max. 38.° Min 28° Took Captain Mackie and in a motor car proceeded to the new agricultural grounds at St Vital, and lunched with the Donnelly Mr Milne and Staff, the drove through the Riverside Park and a mile and a half South of the Arctic Ice Co land, but saw no ground suitable for barracks, returned to tour and went over the grounds of the Agricultural College at Tuxedo park they are too narrow for training. Went to the land west on Portage over new rifle range and found it to be as expected much better than any we had seen. Covered about fifty miles in these inspections. Arrd at home at 6.00 P.M. eight hours.

Major Ducharme called at 8.30 to see me about matters and to invite Mays the family and I to the ball.

Received telegram from Colonel Sam Hughes Minister of defence etc accepting a dinner from the Military Institute of western Canada I arranged for ___ and Dixon to settle it up. Mrs Cameron I understand will entertain the ladies of the party.

Winnipeg,
Wednesday 8

Up at 7.00 Max 36° Min 28° Busy all day. Got conflicting telegrams from Colonel Hughes re dinner got the matter settled at once. Inspected the Grenadiers not too well pleased with it. The officers are need of more drill. Miserable sleet slippery streets. Sandow

Thursday 9

Up at 7.45 Max. 32° Min 0. (zero.) Busy all day. Inspected the 79th and 90th both of them better at drill than the 100th The 90th the best of all, but the 79 much better in the fit of everything. Sandow. Mrs McGregor and the girls went to see the parade. Winter is upon us now.

Winnipeg,
Friday 10

Up at 7.00 Max 0° (zero) Min 0- (zero. Met the general and Minister Colonel Sam Hughes ~~th~~ and accompanied them in a trip to see our new rifle range, and a piece of land south Hon Colin Campbell Hon Coldwell and others met in the Govt rooms then inspected the proposed site for a drill hall. We also had the pleasure before that of lunch with Mr. Campbell. Big banquet at night with the Minister as guest Minister and gen present. Col S Hughes Minister spoke well and to the point, so did Gen, Aikins(?) and Sir Daniel MacMillan and Hon J W Montague.

Saturday 11

Up at 7.30 Max 4° above 0, Min. 4° below 0. Busy all day. Wired Minister to let Rattray come to the meeting in Ottawa for the 16th instant. He wired approval. Lt Col. Clark Brandon phoned to ask if he could go also I took the responsibility [*sic*] of giving consent.

Sunday 12 to Wednesday 15

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Ottawa Ont.
Thursday 16

Up at six Meeting of large number of Militia officers a success I went with the Cavalry officers and put in a long paper. Parliament opened at 3.00 I met the other ADC.s and led with them the procession into the Senate. Duke read Speech well, very brilliant affair.

Friday 17

Up at 6.00 Busy at meeting, State dinner - etc - Duke pleasant. Came home with the Turners.

Ottawa. Ont,
Saturday 18

Great drawing room at night very brilliant, held in Senate. I was an A D.C. Col Sherwood and I went through together Colonel Turner led the way then, Cols Smith and Landry, then Sherwood and I. Sherwood is a trump, very kind.

Last day of Militia meeting Lunched with the Minister in the House of Commons restaurant, all the officers. The duke of Connaught Sir Wilfred Laurier and Mr R L Borden present. Sir Wilfred facetious Sam Hughes sharp, as usual.

Ottawa, Ont,
Sunday 19

Up at 7.30 Had tea at the Biggars Sam Hughes there very pleasant with me, met his wife, daughter and neice. Mrs Biggar pleasant

Monday 20

Up at 6.30 Meeting at 11. of Lord S trust. Satisfactory Engen and I did some talking Minister very satisfactory indeed. Engen pleased. We all lunched with the minister in the House of Commons restaurant. Dined at ____, a nice time.

Ottawa, Ont
Tuesday 21

Busy with the A.G and C.G. Staff. Told the latter all about Ketchens case and he said that as far as he could see there was no case, my own opinion. I informed him that I would report upon it when I got back to Winnipeg. Sloppy and damp

Ottawa,
Wednesday 22

Up at 6.00 Max. in Ottawa 40° very slushy. Dined with the Woodsides, pleasant time. Learned much. Lunched with the Ogilivies. she is an American. Saw Lt. Col. Thacker and was told by him that he had been slated for the Command of Lord Strathconas Horse, but had chosen Staff in England instead, he said that of course Macdonell would get the command of the corps if I recommended it, stated that things were in a bad state ~~the~~ in S.Horse. A lie from some damned scoundrel. I must see about this, Met the minister by appointment He called in Colonel Smith who on being asked stated that I should not have had my brevet Colonelcy of 17th May 1907 taken from me and that Hon Colonel was preposterous. The Minister spoke clearly and firmly about the matter and asked Colonel Smith who is now judge advocate general, what the powers of the Council were. the latter replied what you give them.

Montreal from Ottawa
Thursday 23

Up at 5.00 Left Ottawa by Grand Trunk at 8.40 Paid my bills and Corporal Martins a/c, was met by Gus and went to their place on Hutchison St. A pleasant evening with them all. To bed at midnight.

Montreal, Friday 24 P. Quebec

Up at 7.30 A.M. Went down town in the afternoon with Marie and to the Huberts. Gertrude junior very ill indeed but stout. is paralyzed from the waist down Got home at six o'clock and had a pleasant evening. Did not go to bed early. Went to the train and was seen off at 10.30 P.M by Gus and Frank. Arrived Ottawa by CP.Ry at 1.30 AM the 25th and went to bed at 2. AM same date.

On Train CP.R. Montreal to Winnipeg
Saturday 25

Up at 8 AM. Rattray and I dined and had all meals together had a long chat with him went to bed at 11.00 Had gone to bed at 1.30 and ~~sat up~~ arose as above.

On train to Sunday 26 Winnipeg

Up at 7.30 Wrote nothing, read all day. Bryce' Red River settlers, and saddle trail and snow shoe.

Winnipeg.
Monday 27

Up at 6.15 AM. Office 9.30 Max 12° Min 12° At office told Mackie and Dixon of the statement made by Colonel Thacker that things were in a bad state up here and that Ketchen and Dixon had been spoken to about their conduct - a pack of lies of course. I also spoke to Major Carey who says that Major Lipsett did not write to Ottawa privately about things here. Dixon feels much hurt and stated that Major Lipsett spoke about this, and had when he went in about Major Macdonell being reported as the next O.C - Lord S. Horse, stated that he had done it Such damnable work it is difficult to understand It will never end until the British officer ceases to be a factor in Canadian training Max 8° below last night Min 8° below

Tuesday 28

Up at 6.30 Max. 8° below. Min 8° below Max 7. Went to the Donnellys and spent the evening. Mays and Flora with me. Col. Gwynne took the children Gertie & Harwood to the theatre. Flora had not a very good time. Max 10° min 10° above 0.

Winnipeg
Wednesday 29

~~Max. 10° above Min. 10° above went to the Donnelley birthday party of Miss Katie Donnelly. Pleasant time, Did much work until five o'clock P.M.~~

Up at 6.30 Max 24° above zero. Min 10° above. Did much work writing reports of Corps inspected, and letter to Lord Strathcona asking if he could give the officers their helmets as they are very expensive. I wrote him in my own hand asking for a little xmas present for the men of the Corps of which he is the Hon. Colonel. I did this for his own sake and gave him a lot of news Wrote Major Macdonell a long letter so that he could understand the whole case. and gave him an account of the affair at Ottawa. Sandow a lot.

Thursday 30

Up at 7.30 Max. 24° Min 24° above 0' Busy all day at the desk. Did much work Sent off great ~~tactical~~ list demanded. Wrote many reports. The St Andrews banquet, had to respond to the army navy and auxiliary forces. I hate it. The same old song has to be gone over. I told them of our meeting in Ottawa with the Minister of Militia and the Lord S Trust. Told them of the trust and the benefits of it. Dr the Hon J.W Montague and Rev Mr Gordon made a good speeches long but eloquent. one would have been enough for the night. Sandow.

December

Winnipeg
Friday 1

Up at 7.30. Max 28° Min 12° above 0 at [blank] Busy all day at Confidential reports, and other matters got a letter from General MacKenzie re Macdonell.

Saturday 2

Up at 7.30. Max [blank] Min. [blank]
Max at 9.00 20° above zero.

Winnipeg,
Sunday 3

Up at 7.40 Busy writing private letters all day. Mitchell, Mackie, Mair, and Mrs Mackie called. Mitchell and I had a long chat over the 100th Things must change at once Mills is foolish. Barry the adjutant has been cut out of the job. Johnston Miller called to see us, so did young Cameron. Sandow a lot. Max. 30° above Min 4° – above,

Monday 4

Up at 7.40 Max. 30° Min. 20° above 0 Max at 8.30 20° above. Got a reply to my letter from Thacker He very gracefully explains the whole matter properly saying that it was understood that there had been a great improvement in the corps ever since and in the command of the district. It is satisfactory to have this from Thacker. Sandow a good deal. Inspected the Cavalry field ambulance ~~la~~ the men looked smart eleven away from the parade for inspection. I gave the corps (a troop) a severe lecture applying the fault finding to the absentees who I described as unpatriotic and without a good esprit de corps.

Monday 4

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Tuesday 5

Up. 7.30 Max. 30° Min 14°. Above Busy all day Chat with Major Mills about the 100th and its system of management. The quartermaster has also called to see about its affairs. I must leave it to Major Mitchell to select an officer who has time enough to do the work of Adjutant. Mays and I went to the At Home of the university people at the Royal Alexandra had a pleasant time all looked well, Mays particularly well. Much amused because I did not remember Dr Websters name. Got home at midnight and retired to rest at 1.00 Pleasant night glorious day.

Winnipeg,
Wednesday 6

Up at 7.30. Max. 30° – Min. 8° above 0. 18° above at 8.30 AM. Hoar frost on the trees for the first time this winter. Busy all day had a chat with Mills Major 100th regt suggested no adjutant until the Colonel is heard from. Captain Barry has resigned the adjutancy. Sandow a great deal at night as usual.

Thursday 7

Up at 7.45 Max 30° Min 12° above. Max at 8.am 12° above 0. Busy all day 9.30 am to 6. and 7.30 to midnight, this is ___usual. Made out the last of the Confidential reports. Wrote letters, gave orders for P.C Shaw to be investigated re the insertion on the leaves of his pocket book on the whole of the Franco German war of 1870, a subject upon which he was examined for the rank of Captain The boy acts like a knave or a fool. I feel certain that he is not the latter except in so far that a knave ___ acts is a fool.

Friday 8

Up at 7.30 Max 34° Min 22°

Max. [blank] Busy all day, bad reports of the 100th It is stated that the remark of the minister to the effect that when the uniform is off they can write or say anything they like about the regiment or its affairs is having a bad effect on the corps John Clark called to see me. Sandow. Wrote all day until 6.30 then after dinner wrote letters until 11.30 Delightful weather

Saturday 9

Up at 7.30 Max 34° Min 18°. above 0. Max at 8.30 28° Busy all day. Mr W.J Macleod called upon me to see about a guard of honour to the governor at the Old Timers ball I did not encourage it. Sandow. Wrote all day.

Sunday 10

Up at 7.30. Max 24° above. Min 16° above Busy all day. The Genest ladies called to see us.

Monday 11

Up at 7.30 Max 20° Min 12° above- a Busy day. Was present when Mr. Eaton presented the cup to the 90th team at the French room in the Eaton block. Aikins there. I thanked Mr Eaton for his kindness and encouragement of good shooting. We were asked to lunch. Mackie with me. Went out in the evening for a walk to see W.J. Maclean, Miss Macdonald there. My elbow sprained. No Sandow.

Winnipeg Tuesday 12

Up at 7.45. Max 20° Min 20° above Busy all day writing up the suggestions for the Minister, as per meeting. Settled up a misunderstanding between Major Pousette and Lt Baker, got them in a good humour. Sandow. Wrote at night. To bed at 1.30

Wednesday 13

Up at 8. am. Max. 22°- Min. 20-above zero. A little snow during the night. Wrote many letters Macdonell, Lord Strathcona thanking him for the Pheasants, asking if he could get us any march music to play, then(?) walk trot and gallop one in his name and one in Sir Redvers Bullers. Wrote A M. Jarvis, giving him the news. Mr. Vibert and Le Fevre called to see us, and so did Johnston Miller. We had some bridge, tea and cake. Sandow. Fine weather these days much more so than for years back at this time. To bed at 12.30

Winnipeg.
Thursday 14

Up at 7.45 Max. 20° Min 18° Busy all forenoon in office, busy in the afternoon. Mays Minnie and I went to Old Timers ball. Met several nice people and had a bad time wore a pair of new boots, glad to get home many wall flowers. Supper good.

Friday 15

Up at 7.45 Max. 18° Min 18° above 0. Busy all forenoon, wrote the minister about the land at Saskatoon and armouries in general. Wrote all afternoon. Sandow. Johnston Miller called to see us.

Winnipeg,
Saturday 16

Up at 7.45 Max. 14° Min 10°. above 0
Busy all forenoon went with Mays to hear Mrs Pankhurst the leading suffragist of England. She speaks well and her arguments are sound. I have always believed in the women having votes, and I am more than Sandow. Very fine

Sunday 17

Up at 7.30. Max 20° min. 14° above. Wrote all day long. Miserable until night when Donnelly called. Remained up until 1.30 reading. Read in bed general Butlers evidence It is palpable from all the deductions that the Boer war was brought on by a gang of unscrupulous capitalists who worked Chamberlain, Milner, Bobs and the British govt to bring things to climax. The behaviour of Rhodes in Kimberly during the siege The Treatment of Kekewich by Bobs the favouritism displayed towards Baden Powell who worked under Milner, Plumer. Nicholson, Lawley, and others The honours showered on the Rand magnates there is nothing for it but to shew that the Boers were more sinned against than sinning. Very fine weather.

Winnipeg.
Monday 18

Up at 7.30. Max 24° Min 12° above. 0. Busy all day. Mays and I dined at the Kellys to meet Sir Daniel and lady McMillan Present Sir D. and Lady M. Hugh J Macdonald Mr Lamb of the bank of Toronto, Judge and Mrs Perdue. I took in Mrs Perdue, she is a sister in law of Lt Col Swinford. Sandow. Very fine weather

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Up at 7.30 Max 28° Min 14° above. 0. Busy at Confidential reports. Mays, Mrs Macdonell and Mr L. Strutt went to the dance of the n.co and men. Had supper afterwards in the offrs mess. Sandow. Fine weather wind S.W. for some time past.

Winnipeg
Tuesday 19

Up at 7.30. Max 24° Min 20° above 0 Busy at the office and fixing up my a/c. I am much worried keeping my life assurance going. Mays, Mrs Macdonell and the rest of the officers except Ketchen and others on duty went with their wives to the Sergts dance in barracks, quite a nice dance. We had supper afterwards in the officers mess. No Sandow –

Wednesday 20

Up at 7.30. Max 24. Min 18.° above. Very busy finished confidential reports Johnston Miller called and spent the evening. No Sandow -

Winnipeg.
Thursday 21

Up at 8.20 Very warm in the house, we over slept ourselves. Max. 28° Min 20.°- Gwynne wired that he does not want to take course as a physical instructor at Halifax N.S. says he is too old. I wired to say in reply to his request to move and get him the refresher course at the R M.C as previously arranged that he must telegraph himself, that it would spoil all if I wired for him. I wrote him to the same effect. Sandow.

Friday 22

~~Up at 8.00 very tired last night read until two P.M. Max. 24° Min 20° No mail to day. Lord Strathcona wired a Christmas gift for the regiment Lord S Horse, Three thousand dollars one half to the officers one half to the men, W.O. and Sergts how generous of him! He never tires of considerate acts. Spent evening at the Pennefathers~~

Up at 7.30 Max 24° Min 20° Busy all day finished up a lot of work. Johnston Miller called in the evening.

Winnipeg
Saturday 23

~~Up at 7.30. Max 22° Min 20.° above (Zero) at 8.30. A.M. Lord Strathcona, Lord Strathcona cabled three thousand dollars Christmas present for the regiment~~

Up at 7.30 AM. Max 24° Min 20. above zero. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal cabled me for Strathconas Horse RC (Lord S.H) three thousand as a Christmas gift Half for the officers and half for the men How generous. He is writing so I will not say anything about it until I hear and know his wishes. No Sandow.

Sunday 24

Up at 8.00 Max 22° Min 0 (zero. Fine day but got cold towards midnight. Went to see Captain Conger ill in general hospital. He is a good deal better than when I saw him last. His eyesight has come back and his mind is quite clear but he is still paralyzed below the waist. I hope he will soon be well poor fellow he has had a hard time. Walked back. Sandow. Mays busy fixing up her presents and all the others. The Mackies called with a big bundle of sorts.

Winnipeg. Man.
Monday 25

Up at 8.0 [sic] Max 10° degrees below zero. Min. 10. Visited the mens dinner accompanied by the officers and all the married(?) ~~dinners. They look~~ married ladies We drank the king. The SM. Mr. W Officer Doherty proposed men then after that the officers. I then proposed Lord Strathcona Dined at home of course Johnston Miller and Mr Le Fevre late of Jersey Channel Islands. Sandow.

Tuesday 26

Up at 7.30 Boxing day. Max 10°. Min 12°. below zero. We went to the Christmas tree in the mens mess room Martin was like Santa Claus. I worked in the office all forenoon . Sandow. Mr and Mrs Haslett spent the evening with us, played bridge Heard bad news of Sergt Charters, he is dying of galloping consumption. Letter from Madoc to the effect that de Kerkowski Stewart is dead, some brain trouble. Too bad. In his prime too,

Winnipeg,
Wednesday 27

Up at 6.20/100 Max. 8° below. Min 24° below zero. Busy all day. Wrote General MacKenzie re Prince Albert and the regt they want there this year.

Thursday 28

Up at 8.00 Max. 16° below. Min 28° below. Busy all forenoon. Had the first headache in many years. It left me after a rest. Went with Mays Mrs Macdonell to the Military night of the 100th regiment, Grenadiers. Miss Pepple of New York. The star actress was Miss Castles, the actor Mr Horne. Lt Colonel and Mrs Brown took us to the theatre in their motor. Sandow when I got back Cold night. Must open the eyes of some people.

Winnipeg
Friday 29

Up at 7.30 Max 18° below 0. Min 30 (thirty) below. At a boy scout meeting in the university building. Mr Brydon-Jack and wife dispensed hospitality and were very nice indeed. Cold night strong north wind, the boy Scouts did very well indeed. Sandow. Wrote a good deal.

Saturday 30

Up at 7.30 Max. 18 below Min 24° below Busy until 1.30 P.M.

Winnipeg,
Sunday 31

Max. 14° [written over 18] below. Min 18°. below zero.
Wrote on my book all day. Saw old year out and new year in. Sandow.

New Years day 1912.

Up at 8.00 Max 10° Min 27° below zero. Reception at govt house. Helped to receive there, then home. Cold day. Mays had a nice reception,

Winnipeg
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Winnipeg. Up at 7.30 Min 28° max. 8° below zero. Gwynne and Col Ratray called. Ratray states that Gwynne is not at all popular. I know that this is so, but it cannot be helped. He will mend his ways I hope the fear is that he is too fussy, and too much of a “button stick”

3rd Jan 1912

Up at 8.20 Max. 10° Min 26° below. Wrote a lot but could not sleep until 4 AM so stirred up with everything, what a hateful profession this is anyway.

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