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Gertrude Steele to Sam Steele

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My darling Papa,

I received your very welcome letter on Sunday. We are all very well here & hope you are also. Such an experience as we had last night. About 10.30 as Mamma was going to bed, she heard a noise, that was like the train. She then knew it was the furnace & went & woke Bagnall. He went downstairs to the cellar & found one of the pipes was burst. The cellar was all flooded

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Mamma phoned Mr. Clark & he came over, but could not do anything The [sic] she phoned Dr. Macdonald & he sent up a plumber & at about 12 o'clock it was fixed. So we went to bed & slept in peace. I do hope we dont [sic] have to go to Winnipeg. We all went back to school today, Flora included. I read a very nice story on Sunday. It was called "A Houseful of Girls." I hope you will be able to come home soon, but I suppose it is very expensive to travel. Flora is the early bird of the family as she has already gone to bed, & it is not 8.30 yet.

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We got another nice calendar to-day, so have quite a collection of them. I received a post-card from Aunt Tillsy's little sister, a very pretty one. On Saturday Mamma gave us some money & we went to the "Empire" It was very nice. I must close now Papa darling, as I have no more news,

With lots, lots, lots, lots, lots, lots, lots, lots, lots, lots of love & kisses

I remain  
your loving little  
Gertrude

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