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Gertrude Steele to Sam Steele

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My dear Papa,

I received your very welcome letter some time ago, but as I have been sick <sup>in bed</sup> I could not answer before. The Musical Club met here this afternoon & it was a great success. Mamma wrote a very interesting paper for it. Some ladies played, <sup>the piano</sup> and sang & some played the violin. [Nita] Rice has a little sister. She was born on Saturday morning & weighed ten pounds, & was

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baptized yesterday. Last Tuesday was Rev Mother's feast. We gave her a very nice concert, & she gave us all a party. It is so very cold here that every one is miserable. The little girl that lives in Ontario is very nice, at least she seems to be from what she says on the p. c. she sends me. Her name is Asneath. D. Smith. Last Saturday we went to the Empire Theatre, it was very good. The week before at the Lyric as it was only 10 [¢] Aunt Minnie gave me some money & I went. The play was "College Chums". And was just lovely. Poor little

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mamma has been sick, but is a little better to-day. Bagnall, Annie, the Baby & in fact all of us have been ill, so we have had a regular hospital. I was the first then everyone got it. I hope we wont [sic] have to go to Winnipeg as I like Calgary & the people. Flora hopes we will go. Poor little [Roddy] Harwood has been very ill ~~but~~ & is still very weak & sometimes they do not think he will live. Now, dear Papa, as I have no more news this time, I will close, with much love & kisses from

your loving little

Gertrude

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