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1903 Reached St John N.B. at two
Feb. 6th o'clock today on way to Old
Country there is thirteen of us in party
and we go there to endeavor to en-
courage Immigration to Canada
we are stopping at Grand Union
Hotel close to station not a very
good house this afternoon we took
a run around city and also vis-
ited the steamer we are to go in, Six
of us inspect among the number sail
by the Lake Ontario of the Elder,
Dampster Line and the other seven
go by the Parisian of the Allan
Line. Today is clear and Sunshine
here but wind is cold and a fur
coat would not be out of place.

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1903 Clear & Sunshiny all day but
Feb 7 cold tonight very frosty. After
dinner today the men going on
Allan line went over to West St.
John and got on their boat as
she was expected to sail this evening
after we had put our grips on to
the Lake Ontario we went over to West
St John to see the boys before they
started, we got back near eight came
on ferry car 2^d to cross and went on
board our boat at once and got into
our rooms, the other men of our
party are paired two in a room but
I am alone. I went to bed early and
read for awhile before going to
sleep, this is my first night on
board ship and I think we
will be all right. I find the people
of St John are very good to answer
any question you ask them and will
give you any information you want to know

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1903 This is Sunday and they
Feb 8th are loading the vessel same
as a week day. Our steamer was
towed over by tugs this morning
from East to West St John and
they are putting in twenty thousand
bushels of Manitoba wheat in her
hold now. Mr Salway, Mr Sirett
and myself went to the Free Bap-
tist Church at eleven o'clock
not more than 20 there but a
good preacher and a good ser-
mon. He intended going again to-
night but it was too late when
Mr Sirett had his supper.
Sun shone clear and bright
all day but it was cold
and you had to keep your
ears covered. The Parisian sailed
this morning with eight of our men
on board they go via Halifax

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1903 A cold day I did not come
Feb 9 out all day, sat in Smoking
room and read, Sun shone clear
all day but it was cold & frosty.
The vessel Lake Ontario Fairly
on freight all day and all last
night, today they were putting on
ham, bacon, cheese, apples &
and tonight they loaded some cattle
Mr Salway, Mr Smith and my-
self attended a Union meeting of
Methodist and Baptist Christian
Condeavor tonight in Baptist
Church in West St Johns, I was
surprised at the small att-
endance and also at the very
few that took part, I should
think young people who have a
chance to attend meetings every day
should be able to say more

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1903 than these people did
I also noticed that a great
many of the young people
were places. The Steamer
Montney of the Edder Dempster
Line left this morning for Bristol
Feb 10 Very windy and cold again
this morning we expected to
be away at eight o'clock but
they did not get all the load
on last night and we must
get away now until about
nine or ten tonight, they are taking
on coal and loading cattle
again this morning. The Lake
Erie Steamer came in from
Liverpool at ten o'clock. We
left St Johns at twelve o'clock and
made good headway all afternoon
wind high and ship rolled a good

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1903 but I stayed on deck until about four and then had to go down and I spent balance of day in my room was pretty sick and vomited several times, all the rest of the party stood it well only Mr. Smith he was a little sick but not nearly so bad as I was
Feb 11 A lovely morning, sea far calmer than yesterday, I slept well last night and feel fine this morning, we have made 240 miles since we left St. John and it is now 8 o'clock, a slight breeze from N. We could see some villages yesterday along the Nova Scotia coast while in sight of land all day was lovely and warm sea almost totally calm hardly a ripple sun warm

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1903 and nice sat on deck nearly all day without overcoat or rubber. Do not feel very well today after my fit of vomiting last night but getting better towards night. Met a vessel going west tonight could not see her name it was dark. It seems a great difference sitting out in sun and it so warm and then think of Manitoba where it is so cold, but I fail yet to see where the Charm of the sea is, I would rather see a great expanse of prairie than look over this great extent of water and nothing else in view. We were twenty four hours out from St. John at noon and had made 282 miles

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1903 A good fresh breeze blowing
Feb 12 this morning and we are
getting along well, I slept fine
last night and feel first
class this morning, we are
all well only Mr Kendall
he is not very well, wind kept
up all day and got a lot stronger
towards night boat rolling a lot
and spray dashing up on deck
began to rain at noon and
kept at it nearly all after
noon, the rocking of vessel
is beginning to affect me
again as I could hardly
eat any supper. Mr Kendall
very sick tonight. Met a
steamer going west tonight
she passed about hundred
miles from us

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1903 A nice calm day but
Feb 13 Sun did not shine and
it kept cool all day and
ship also rolled a lot all
day as a result of yes-
terdays wind. Could not
eat hardly any breakfast
or dinner and had a
small bite of supper
in stateroom, last night
rocking of vessel upset
me again I did not vomit
but pretty near it. Got
a breath of wind tonight
" 14 Wind with a good lot all
last night I slept well and felt a
little better this morning but still
could hardly eat anything
I have now felt well all day
and tonight got some powder

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1903 from Doctor and took them.
There was a heavy swell all
day we had no wind but
still the swell was heavy and
vessel rocked a good deal, at
noon today we were 1096 miles
from St John. Met a vessel
going west this morning, she
was four miles away so we
could not see what vessel
it was. Our engine stopped
about five minutes today some-
thing wrong. Mr Rendal did
not come to table today

Feb 15 This is Sunday we had a
few heavy squalls of rain to-
day and ship moved at a
great rate towards night
wind got pretty strong
I could not go to supper

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1903 Hardly slept any last
Feb 16 night ship rolled about so
I could not get to sleep and
today it is blowing very hard
and vessel rocking fearful
listed over to one side so much
nearly impossible to walk
on deck, blew hard all day
a few waves came on deck.
I eat a little breakfast & dinner
but could not touch supper
17 Slept well all last night
very little wind this morning
and vessel riding steady
we have made good time
since leaving St John and
they talk of being to Liverpool
on Friday I feel better
this morning and eat a
little breakfast, also eat a

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1903 little dinner but had to have a bite brought into stateroom for tea I guess I was intended for a land bird as this kind of thing don't agree with me at all. A nice pleasant day so far as wind was concerned but we had a few heavy showers of rain. Passed a vessel going west tonight could not see what her name was

Feb 18 A fresh breeze from S.W. this morning and a heavy sea running vessel rolling around a good deal. we have made good time coming across and Captain says we ought to see land tomorrow that is Ireland got along well all

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1903 day had a few heavy showers of rain and towards eight wind began to get up, before going to bed I went on deck and wind was blowing very strong from S.W., sea getting quite a swell on. Another vessel about two miles away going same way as us and has been in sight for some time

Feb 19 Blowing a hurricane as we got up this morning vessel rolled so we could hardly stay in bed, some wares went down over smoking room today, wind behind us and we are not delayed any. I feel fine today and am beginning to enjoy my meals, don't feel any bad effects from vessel rolling etc.

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1903 Kendal still very sick
and lying in his cabin it is too
rough for him on deck.
We saw some today jumping
clean out of water. Saw
Fastnet light house at
5 this evening and if weather
had been clear we could
have seen land as we were
only five miles from
the South west corner of
Ireland then, but it was
a little foggy and we could
not see the land, as we
go to bed we are coasting
along the South coast of
Ireland and have passed
three light houses, at
five this evening we were
three hundred miles from
Liverpool

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1903 This morning we are out of
Feb 20 Sight of land and steaming up
Irish Channel between Ireland
& Wales water as smooth as a
pond, we have passed or met
Several vessels this morning
both sail & steamers and they
are coming in sight every little
while. Came in sight of Welsh
Coast at 12.15 Holy Head and
kept along Welsh Coast for a long time
could see houses and fields quite
plain as we were not more than
half a mile away from coast.
Saw an old style wind mill
at work along here. 3 o'clock we
have just taken on our pilot at
Point Linnas light house and
he is to pilot boat in to Liverpool
we are very close to land and can

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1903 See no end of houses. Some large like castles. Can also see green fields and hedges very plain, houses close together and there must be a great population. Was in sight of the Welsh coast the whole way up to Liverpool. Ship landed on the Birkenhead side and a ferry took us over to Liverpool side. The Gov. agent met us there and we are quartered in the St Georges Hotel, it is the best I have seen yet nothing second hand about it, without doubt the Gov. are using us well. The city is fine what we have seen of it so far and every one seems busy.

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1903 We went to Mr Jung's office this Feb 21 morning in Liverpool and all got our marching orders. Capt. Lease & Mr Williamson stay in Liverpool, Mr Salway & Mr Cowan go to London. Mr Kendal went to York, while Mr Sirett & myself came on to Birmingham where I am writing this now sitting in bedroom in Queens Hotel. Mr Sirett and I have rooms side by side we arrived in Birmingham too late to see the emigration agent he had gone home and there was none of the clerks there. So we had to put up at this Hotel and will have to stay here until ten o'clock Monday morning. I don't like the look of this town as well as Liverpool for one thing there is no tram cars here and on account of some many tall chimneys and so much manufacturing.

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1903 The place is dirty & smoky.
It was raining when we got up
this morning and rained more
or less all day until about
4.30. Mr Sirett & I took the
elevated road and went from
Dingle to Seaforth all along
the docks in Liverpool about
seven miles in all. The journey
from Liverpool here about thirty
miles we made from 2.40 to 5.05
we passed places where salt and
nitrate of Soda was manufactured
but most of the way was through
a good agricultural country
and was very pretty cattle, sheep
& horses was out grazing and
also some men plowing, the soil
is red and looks like brick. We
stopped at Crewe a town of

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1903 Sixty thousand people and also
at Wolverhampton near Birmingham
it is the start of the tall chim-
neys. It is not raining tonight but
is rather pleasant and not
cold

Feb 22 Had breakfast at 8.30 this morn.
and after that went for a walk it
was sprinkling rain & we did not
go far saw the City Hall, Library
Building and square where there
are some fine Statues. We then came
back to Hotel got in overcoat as
it was now raining good and
we went up street looking for
a church, saw a few tram cars
run down by steam engine, we
only saw them on one street but
we did not go any further in that
direction. We found Carr Lane

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1903 Congregational Church and heard
a splendid sermon by Rev Mr
Jouett, the church was crowded
gallery full and every one sang.
We have just had lunch at
1.40 and it is still raining.
This Hotel the Queen is right
at station and belong to R.R.
Co. We had supper at 6.30 and
then started for church but were
too late as the service had started
at 6.30 so we came back and sat
in Mr. Smith's room talking until
eleven o'clock when we went to
bed. There were thousands of
people walking street while we
were out. Raining as we go to
bed but not cold

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1903 A nice clear day so far
Feb 23 it is now 12.30 Mr. Smith & I
have just been to see the Gov.
agent and he is sending me to
Master ^{Shir} County and wants Mr. Sargent to
go to Belfast Ireland but he is
waiting further instructions from
London. Was in Museum for a
short while forenoon and saw
some queer things there among the
rest, relics found on the Boyes
and supposed to be 2000
years old. Also saw grave yard
with head stones erected in 1717
also a large monument to Col. Burnside.
I have changed my mind about this
being a slow city it is anything
else street crowded all the time
and every one in a hurry, also saw
lots of team cars running on the Guip
principal

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1903 Mr Sirett left here at 3.40
for Liverpool where he will take
boat for Belfast and should
reach there tomorrow morning
I received my full instructions
today and will leave for Wor-
cester City tomorrow morning
I am billed until 14th March
and have put down my name to
start for home again on 19th
March by the Steamship
Barman. I am sitting alone in
room now writing. Saw a little
snow come down today. Sat
in Mr Mitchell's the Gov. Agents
office for about three hours this
afternoon and in that time was
interviewed by nearly a dozen
intending settlers who all said
they would come out to Manitoba
this year

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1903 I gave my Railroad pass from
St John to Sarnold to Mr Mitchell
to keep for me
Feb 24 I left Birmingham at 9.30 this
morning and came on here to Worcester
arriving here at 10.40 went to see
Griffiths & Millington, found no adver-
tising had been done and cannot ex-
pect much results from staying
here, I am staying at ^{Star} Hotel and
wired Mr Mitchell to Birmingham
he answered he was writing so I will wait
for his message. Pretty cold today and
an overcoat is all right. After leaving
Birmingham for thirty miles it seemed
to be all towns and tall chimneys, from
that here it is nearly all good far-
ming and fruit growing, I have
only seen a little of this place yet
but it seems to be pretty lively

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1903 and I find any man I have spoken very kind to give me all the information possible, there is 47,000 inhabitants here. I went out on bus to see Rev. Father Downey this afternoon, he lives four miles from here he had spoken about a young man coming out, on my way back I called to see the young man and talked about half an hour to him, he is anxious to come out but his father don't want him to come. I walked back towards Worcester and the bus overtook me & I got in at six o'clock. Lots of nice houses on the road I was on and it is nearly all a hop country. They run a few horse cars here

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1903 but are negotiating for an electric service. Repair to main at noon and still at it seven thirty o'clock, wind is also blowing hard but not frosty. Lots of hedges along the roads here
Feb 18 Mr. Millington of the firm here took me up to the hop market today and showed me all over, he is a fine man and a splendid sample of the Englishman of old being kind & stout these people here are just splendid I could not be better used any place and they are very kind, I expected to find the people here more staid & fish than they are they are very kind and obliging Sun came out clear & bright

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1903 forenoon but now at noon
it is raining again. This place
Worcester is a fine old Cathedral
town and they have a very fine
church here. Just had a long talk
with a Mr. Osborne he is a married
man with a family and says positively
he will be out early in April. Another
young man living just two miles out
of Worcester was in and also says he
intends going out in spring. Tonight
is cool and the streets here are full
of people walking around. I got
out two ads in paper today and
also got a lot of circulars printed
and posted up in town and in
city expect to be busier tomorrow

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1903 Raining a little as we got up
Feb 26 This morning but soon cleared
off and got cool & pleasant, had
lots of callers in town one today
that is in forenoon as it is a half
holiday here and there is nothing
doing afternoon. Mr. Millington
has asked me to go to Graham
with him and I intend going.
I had 21 callers this forenoon about
one half of them could not pay
their way out so we could do
nothing. The balance will all go
out I think. I received a letter
from London today containing [£]20
and also containing a letter from
Maggie & Cecil. I was very glad to
receive it although it was written
only a few days after I left
home. Mr. Millington & I started for

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1903. Malvern at 7.25 and have
just arrived back at 5 o'clock
he has gone to great pains to show me
the place, we took a cab and
drove around the mountain where
we could see Hereford on one side
and Worcester on the other,
it took us about an hour to get
around and what a sight, it
must be fine in summer when
everything is in bloom, we also
went in to Malvern Parish church
it is about 200 years old and
in a fine state of preservation,
How kind those people are here
and what a difference to what
I expected to find them. It
is useless for me to try to ex-
plain the trees, shrubs & beauties
of this place I can do it bet

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1903 ter in talking. Went out after
supper tonight and seen a Mr
Price who wants to come out to
Kraintola, he is a machinist
Ley trade and has been out of
work a long time, I think he
will come out. Nineteen came in
to see me fore noon and I
had a lousy time of it. Few
of them could not pay their
way out, having been out of
work for a long time, the rest
of the men will be out I think
in fact one of them has already
bought his ticket. I expect a
lousy day tomorrow as more peo-
ple will have seen the notices.
It has been clean cold
since ten o'clock but very
pleasant

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1903 Blew my head last night
Feb 17 after we went to bed woke
me up twice during the night,
today pleasant but cold.
Had a lot of inquiries today
and all of them could pay
their way out and I think
at least three fourths of
them will come. Had tea at
Dr. Simmons his son has
been in New Zealand and is
gone again and talks of
coming to Canada next year
again. Had three in town one
tonight in the Hotel, they had
not time to come during the day.
"28 I had a busy day of it to
day and lots of people wanting
information and the right kind
of people everyone of them

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1903 Could pay their way out
and I think a lot is coming
I had fifty seven in all
together and had my visit
been better advertised, could
have had double of that. On
Sunday morning I go to Kidder-
minster where I stay two days
I feel sorry to leave here the
people have used me well
and I know there is lots more
people to be reached here. Sun
did not shine today but
it was pleasant as it was
not cold. The clerk in the
Hotel here used to work for
J. Ingram & D. J. Young and
knows every one around
Gisborne. I had a letter
from Maggie tonight written on
the 8th Dec.

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1903 A dull dark morning at
Mar 1 10.30 the clerk of the Hotel
here and my self started for
Mr Millington another of
his chums also came along
he had worked for J Gault
and had received a letter
from J Gault on Saturday.
Mr Millington took us
through all his green
house and he has lovely
grounds and lots of
fruit trees, while we were
there it started to rain
and kept it up nearly
all day. I sat in reading
room and read nearly
all day. Wind blew very
hard at times. Heard that
Obe Hall had come out
with lost lot of fanned

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1903 Left Worcester this morning at
Mar 2 8.52 and came on here to Kidden
minster twelve miles from Worcester. This
place has 24,000 people and seems
to be a busy town most of the people
are engaged making carpets. I find
my visit here has not been advertised
and that no one knows anything at
all about it, so I suppose I will
just have to put in my two days
as best I can, the government
are good for the day but I don't
like lying around like this and
time would pass far nicer for
me if I was kept busy. Rain-
ing when we got up this morning and
still at it at noon. Kept dark all
afternoon and some rain kept falling
all the time. I found the old
parish church here called

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1903 St Mary it is a large
fine old building with a large
grave yard surrounding it about
five acres in extent. Some of the
churches here are locked and I
went through this one. Some very
quaint tombstones and some
bearing date 1760. Had no chance
to travel up Canada today

Mar 3 Went to J Nicholls office
this morning and heard of some
young men going out to Canada
found me of them and tried
to find another one but could
not, left word for him to call
on me tonight, made an appoint-
ment with a man for this
afternoon and will meet him
at Nicholls office, This is
cattle market day here

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1903 I have been there and there
are any quantity of Cattle,
sheep & pigs on the market being
sold by auction. Saw has
shown all morning and this
is the finest day I had since
coming out, saw lots of cattle sold
at from 80 to 130 that would
not bring with us more than 30 to
I talked with one man and his
wife today that intends coming out
to Manitoba this spring, a great
pity my visit here was not
advertised I could have done a
lot here

Mar 4 Left Kilderminter this morning
for Bendley and arrived there at 9:00
had about half a mile to walk
and carry my valise before I
got to Hotel and staying at

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1903 The George Hotel and
will try to hunt up Mr. Lea-
cock. It is dark again today
but no rain has fallen yet.
This place Beudley is on the
Severn River and the River here
is a good height just now
Mar 4 Left Kidderminster this morning
and came to Beudley it was just
3 1/2 miles from Redd and is a place
of about 2500 people very old and
 quaint, I saw one house that was
built in 1693 and Mr. Leacock
tells me that there are houses a
good deal older than that, there is
also a house here where the Kings
of England used to stop, this is
a quaint old place on the Severn.
I found Mr. Leacock here who used to
be an M.P. in Manitoba, he is a

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1903 hearty man of about 52 years
old. A Mr. Potter who has an office
here in town took me out to his place
at noon today where we had dinner
and he showed me all over his farm
he has 300 acres and farms well,
sheep is his specialty, he is a fine
man and I had a very pleasant
time, the house he lives in is
300 years old and every thing is
very quaint. Mr. Leacock & I
drove out to hundred house to-
night about seven miles from
here where we had a meeting, had
fine light views and a splendid
time, I like the farmers here they
are fine and hearty & very friendly.
We got back here to Beudley at
two o'clock midnight. It was
raining a little when we got home

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1903 Dark & dull until two o'clock
March 5 when sun came out clear & bright
Had letters from Maggie in Mass. and
Sister Jennies and have just answered
Jennies letter and will now
start to write to Maggie. No person
has inquired for me today
So far. Wrote letters nearly all
day. Mr. Leacock went for a
walk to see the site where the
old castle used to stand that
belonged to the Kings of England
it belonged to the Mortimer
family previous to the wars
of the Roses and Edward the
4th used to live in that castle
all the Kings from him until
Charles 1st lived in it at certain
times and Catharine of Aragon
was married there, the castle

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1903 when standing covered two
acres of ground. I also saw the
last old snuff mill in England
there is just the walls of it
standing now. Saw the old
Parish Church of Bewdley
built in 1633 and saw a grave
stone there dated 1647. Went to
see an old Hall Ranforth Hall
said to be built in the 13th
century, it is now for sale
and is a grand house and
grounds the estate is 1500
acres and the house and
grounds are more than beautiful
Went to Horticultural Society reading room
tonight and spent a couple of hours did
not meet many people, then went to
Mr. Leacock's for awhile and then to bed
feels like first night. This house is 400
year old

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1903 Left Bendley this morning and
arr 6 reached Stourbridge at 10:40 had
to change cars at Kidderminster
this place has 76,300 population
and seems to be busy and
stirring. I am staying at the
Salbat House and am now in
J. S. Woodcock's home he is a
grocer and seems a very nice
man and has given me a room
back of his store in his own
house to use for today.

I had seven in to see me this
afternoon and at least five of
those will come out. I had dinner
and tea with Mr Woodcock
he is a nice man. Had two showers
of rain today but tonight
is pleasant.

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1903 Left Stourbridge this morning
arr 7 and came by train car on here
to Dudley six miles from Stourbridge
it seems like town all the way and
the houses were thick all along the
road, this place has 48,000 people
and has an old ruined castle that
used to be used by the old earls
of Dudley, I intend to go and see
through the grounds tomorrow and
will know more of it. I am staying
at the Dudley Arms, and am meeting
people in Mr Evans place, he is
the Allan Steamship agent here.
It has rained & snowed nearly all
day but the snow melts as
soon as it falls, met a man tonight
by the name of Swindell that
used to be in Granville lived near
Bois-serrin and would like to

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1903 be out there again. Such
crowds of people out on the streets
here tonight the whole street is
fallo. Had fire in tree one to-
night day and I think most
of them will go out.

Feb 8. The ink has run out in my fountain
pen and I can't get it filled until to-
morrow. I have just come back from
church, the old parish church of Dudley
I don't know its name nor the name
of the man who spoke. Went to church
again tonight to another church a
good crowd there. In afternoon went to
see the ground and ruins of
Dudley Castle, part of the walls
of the old place left it was de-
stroyed in Cromwell's time and is
a fine old ruin, I went up into
the tower and could see the whole

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1903 Country all around it is tall
chimneys all over and hardly any
thing else to be seen lots of man-
ufacturing here.

Mar 9. Left Dudley this morn. at
8.13 for Evesham at Stone-
bridge Junction we changed cars
for Worcester, after we left
Stone bridge we left the
tall chimneys and all the way
to Worcester it is a fine farming
and fruit raising district.
I am now writing at Worcester
Station and understand I have
to change cars again before
getting to Evesham. Today is
grey dull also a little cold.
Reached Evesham at 10.30 went to
a Temperance Hotel and then
went to see Messrs W & H Smith

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1903 of the Journal office who are agents for the Allan Line they would not give me any room there, but are sending any inquirers to the Hotel, I had a few today A Mr Idicus a produce dealer here, came to see me and I went out with him to his home three miles out, he lives in a house that was built in the 13th Century and an old Church along side is equally as old Penelope Washington is buried there who was an ancestor of Geo. Washington, and I saw a tombstone with 1537 on it. This town Loveston is 4,000 people on the River Aron and is surrounded by a lovely country all orchards & market gardens

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Mar 10
1903 Got in from Mr Idicus this morning at ten o'clock It rained a little this morn. And have had a few callers today by some young men that will make splendid settlers if they come out. Went out to Mr Idicus again tonight and met a man there that runs a market garden near his place and is a bachelor, he expects to be out next year.

Mar 11 Came in this morning at ten and found a letter from Mr Mitchell with one from home and one from Mr Little in it, Mr Little wants a girl but I don't see much hopes of getting one here I answered his letter

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1903 telling ~~them~~ that I did not think I could get them a girl here but would try. I am going out to see Indians again tonight they are very fine people. It rained a little this forenoon but now it is clear & nice. Had in quite a few to see me ^{day} tonight and young Indians came at 8.30 tonight to bring me out to their place these people have used me as well as I was ever used in my life.

Mar 12 Took ticket this morn from London to Stratford on Avon went through Shakespeares home in room where family lived, all the bedrooms the one where he was born saw the museum and everything there was to be seen went to the Church and saw his tomb

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1903 and then went to the Memorial building all over it and up in tower, left Stratford at 11.35 for Droitwich where I ought to arrive at 1.10. Every thing here is Shakespeare, called after him, I could not get into the school where he used to go as it was school hours and they still hold school there. Reached Droitwich at 1.10. A nice day sun not shining much but it is not cold nor raining had to change cars at Worcester in coming here. Had dinner at Raven ~~Hotel~~ Hotel but left there after as it was not central enough and went in a Hotel near the ticket agent, a nice day. Had in five to see me tonight a man and his wife walked four miles to come and carried a baby. Had word from London today saying I

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1903 Could not leave for home until April but I telegraphed them that I must leave on 19th, I also wrote them to that effect, by leaving here on the 19th I can reach home about 10th April as I want to spend a few days in Ottawa, and the 10th is late enough to get home.

Mar 13 Had a letter today from A. S. Whitney saying he would meet me in London on the 18th but I don't know if I will go yet or not. A nice day and not cold but sun did not shine. I had in about ten to see me today but can't say how many of them will go out. I leave here tomorrow for Redditch. This place has salt water baths

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1903 The Solway river runs here and the battle of Dodder Hill was fought here. The old Dodder Hill church that Amwell's Cannon nearly destroyed is still to be seen and in digging around there they find old swords &c. The old St Andrew's church here is supposed to be a thousand years old, part of it has been burnt down twice but rebuilt again.

Mar 14 Reached Redditch at 10.30 from Droitwich and have been interviewed by ^{the} people since coming it is now two o'clock. This is a town of about 16,000 and manufactures a lot of needles and fishing tackle. The energetic young men are all trying to get out of here, they say there is no chance here for young men as all places are filled up. Raining

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1903 Had nearly all day, was interviewed by about ten today Mr Baylis an auctioneer sent me his office for the day, I left it at six and went home with him to tea, he is a bachelor and boards, he used me well in fact they all do. I left Redditch at 8.30 and got to Worcester at 10.30 had to change cars at Saint Green and wait half an hour on a train, it feels like getting home to get here again. I found the washing I left in Dudley here for me all right and also the suit of clothes from there they fit pretty well. I think this is the coldest and meanest day since I came over it is very wet and the wind rain

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Percy Collier
 C/o of J. Baker
 Stoke Road
 Bromsgrove
 Nov.

A. Braugh
 173 Mount Pleasant
 Redditch *the bridge in the*

A. Garfield
 15 Gine St
 Redditch

H. Bradshaw
 1 Arches Road
 Gine St
 Redditch

Levi Minis
 12 Porson Row
 Mount Pleasant
 Redditch

Leonard Lewis
16 Worcester Rd.
Redditch

James Pinfield
27 South St.
Redditch *Can pay
his way*

Francis H. Baglin
Architect & Surveyor
9 Park Road
Redditch

Wm Gillsley
9 Chapel St
Healden Cross
W Redditch

Arthur Danks
35 Ipsley St
Redditch

Have Hunter Brown find out
what he can about Mrs.
Little clothing & drapery and
send word to Mrs J Campbell
Harrington Essex Lane

Thomas Osborne
C/o J. Ched Smith
Kpf. Mans.

See S. C. Lewis and try to get
a farm for this man

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Shumock Court
Astwood Bank
Leckham
Redditch

Madlow R. H.
Metropolitan Bank
Redditch

C. G. Marmont Esq
Wadfield farm
Kinchchamber
Glos.

J. S. White Esq
The Hollies
Bengeworth
Evesham

Robt Smith
Wancote farm
Clifford Chambers
Stratford on Avon

Ed Fisher
Charming worth
Cannell
Glos.

Joseph Cox
W. P. P. G. G. G.
W. Dudley

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Wood Tatten
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Garnace Parade
Lipton
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