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My Dearest Mere,

Many thanks for your letter (No 9.) which I'll commence to answer — [illegible] the pencil, I'm writing this in the dominion, and I'm out of ink, — you don't mind? — good.

Main item of [illegible] I'm just back from a a week end visit to Winnipeg, [illegible] that Winnipeg — Bob Blight (my co pilot) and myself had to navigate a plane to Winnipeg and back as a [illegible] and as our instructors and ourselves were on [illegible] we mangled to spend them in that lovelly city, we [illegible] there at 8:30 on Friday and came back this morning Monday, which is nearly three days — not bad, — I wrapped you a line from Winnipeg telling you about the club one of the ladies there invited us round to her home for tea on Sunday, and she had a very nice daughter, and an English girl also very nice who came over the beginning of the [illegible] we had a grand time, we went canoeing on the river in the evening yes real canoes too, you have to be very careful as they tip over very easily, but its really good fun, beleive me, I got the hang of it after a while and as it was about dusk, with the sun going down and lights popping up and reflecting off the water, it was really grand beleive me, you could feel peace all around, it even beat boating on the Arun. We had a real grand week end — sight seeing, eating, dancing, shopping, etc etc etc.

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I sent a parcel off from one of the big stores (Eaton's, they have branches everywhere) - most of the food parcels I've sent have [illegible] from Eaton - Moose Jaw, you have a ticket thing, go to the different departments, order what you want anywhere in the store, then when its the required weight, you take the ticket to the cash desk and pay for it all, then the various departments send the stuff to the delivery dept, they pack it, and post it, - very helpful, - I sent some cosmetics a stuff from Winnipeg, I explained all about it in a short letter I posted from the Airmens Club Winn, so look out for one.

Mammy, - very many thanks for your kind offer re the Rockies, I'd [illegible] but it would need at least 100 bucks (100 dollars to you) which is about £25 or £30 for just a couple of days - its a long way away - but maybe there'll be a flight going that way which would help, - you know [illegible] at Government expense, "I've bags of time for that" (a new R.A.F. saying)

I'm glad you enjoyed the Ballet at the Kings, I sounded good to me - I'll catch up with them one day - I hope, - Oh yes, I was going to send some navy blue material for you a dress, when I was at Winni but I forgot how much material you required - just look out for some soon though. I'll try hard all I want know is some cash - easy eh??

Many thanks for the photo, I haven't got it yet, but I nearly did, which is very helpful. I do really want some of all of you - I miss your happy faces - no kid!!

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Here we go again, I couldn't write anymore over at flights as I also ran out of paper, but as I've said, we're off again, new pad, and pen filled full and everything in the garden is lovelly.

You speak about holidays with me at the end of the year, - well now I've some rather glum news, there is the possibility of some of us being made instructors which means that we'd have to spend at least a year over here, of course we've no idea yet what's going to happen, naturally we all want to get back to England so we're all hoping for the best, personally I don't really mind, of course I want to get back home, but on the other hand, if we do get made instructors there'll be a lot of extra experience which is sure to come in handy later on, so as long as I pass OK. - (fingers crossed) I don't mind, - but I still want to get back to jolly old England. - Of course none of this is pukka gen, but I thought I'd mention it, so as you won't look forward too much to the fall (as if you would) and then be disappointed, but still keep your fingers crossed - won't you.

Well I can't think of much else to write about, so I'll close now, and hope to make a longer letter next time (you can't have one every time you no

Goodnight, God bless, - tons of love & kisses

Your Lastest

(Still called Art by the Canadians) Arthur.