

Monday 4  
mild  
evening heavy snow

Busy in office. After tea I drove to Gall to inspect the dynamo of the electric light. I took Julius & Oskar along. Mr. Spiers one of the two proprietors was there to meet me, he could explain nothing to me but his engineer did who understood the practical part but not the scientific. The dynamo is a Thomson spherical machine exactly as described & shown in Prescott's "Dynamo Electricity". There are two machines one supplying the 52 street lights the other for private purposes. The whole is driven by an 80 h.p. engine. Each street light has a 2000 candle power. - The boys were much interested in what they saw.

Tuesday 5  
morn. rain  
after. cold  
night very cold -2° F.

In forenoon made a survey for James Esam. In afternoon & night of course busy in office. I prepared examination questions for the D.T.S. exam. in perspective, mineralogy & geology at the request of W. F. Kemp.

Wednesday 6  
morn 6<sup>h</sup> 30 -10° F  
cold  
light snow

Busy in office - I feel somewhat under the weather, whether it is that I have no more of the particular tobacco which I smoke or for what other reason I know not. Toward evening (4 P.M.) as announced Mrs. Stäbler, wife, Miss Drageott from Anseban, Dorothea, Otto & Carrie Götz came from Berlin. After tea I took them to our Mech. Institute. The remainder of the evening was spent chatting, with music, Miss D. entertaining the ladies too with fortune telling causing considerable merriment. They were interested in my various collections. - A short excitement was the departure of the parcel store by Mrs. Stäbler, happily without any damage whatever. - At 11 P.M. coffee was served and the young folks enjoyed some impromptu dances. Shortly after midnight the jovial party left. -

Thursday 7  
cold  
windy  
little snow

Busy in the office. - Jennie & I out for our walk, calling on the way at Mrs. Pattinson's. My letter to the Board of School Trustees is apparently having the desired effect inasmuch as last night a resolution was passed to erect additional buildings. Dr. Duck the new trustee has the increase idea



of putting the new building on the vacant ground  
- would be park - instead of on the school ground.

Friday 8  
little snow  
mild

Busy in office, in afternoon Minors I were in Gall beds  
some shopping. - In evening getting things in shape for leaving  
tomorrow for Ottawa.

Saturday 9  
pleasant

At 11 a.m. left for Ottawa. I remained at Ottawa  
from 2 P.M. till 8.45 P.M. attending to some business. -  
There I met E. Bray and later Hugh Wilson & Mr.  
Richards from Mt. Forest. The former is to be pitied  
recently he lost his wife and is now so to speak  
an outcast having neither family nor home, which  
his money can not buy. - In the supper met  
Hugh Ryan, Mr. Fraser from Pembroke and Capt.  
Freer of the English army.

Sunday 10  
fine

In Ottawa. The day was quiet in my room  
reading. -

Monday 11  
fine. pleasant  
after. snow

In morning a. c. Webb my colleague on the Board of  
Examiners arrived, after breakfast proceeded  
to the Board room where were C. Deville sur-  
veyor general chairman W. Peace, W. F. King,  
F. M. Gath and Mr. Munsie (new members)  
members of the Board. After reading of the  
minutes & routine business we adjourned till  
tomorrow. Besides the examination we had a  
trial on hand of a subpoena of J. D. Alton for un-  
professional conduct. In the afternoon I went  
to see our Deputy Min. a. M. Purpus but he  
was not in, I then went to the Victoria Club  
& spent some time with J. D. Dennis & afterwards  
with E. Deville Surveys. - A new office  
has been created in our branch of the Department  
& that is Chief Astronomer - with W. F. King as in-  
cumbent. He is competent for the position. -