

I shall be at Ricinus
Isabels before a Alberta
letter can answer March 10th/39
This one so write
here - XX.

My dear Fred,

I really feel mean for
I have never written a
really nice letter to you all
the time I've been here
I don't know why I'm like
that. I seem to have left
everything for you to worry
out by your self, but honestly
it is difficult to make
any real arrangements, I
should not have set such

an early date. Had it been
a winter like last year
all would have been easy
for I could have got the bark
as it is it is under about
4 ft of snow,

I've just come in from getting
some & I'm surely tired Bert
& Bill are working on the
other place, so I'm all by
my self all day, today is
thawing & is a lovely day
but it looks like more
snow clouds in the west.

You know Fred I shall
always feel a kind of skunk
letting Bert figure on
my coming back & now he
has to hurry off. I should

not have done it so early for
you see there is all the feed
to haul down if they move the
stock that seems like a lot of
unnecessary work I think it
best be left where they have
the barn etc: until some
grass appears

You know the 1st of May would
be quite early enough for
you to come up here as
you won't get any seeding
etc: done till then as the
frost isn't out any earlier.

Crops never grow very good
on breaking so the rest could
be broken during the summer

Any way even if we do keep
to the settled date I think
we'd do better not to come
up till later.

Any way I won't be able to

make the trip back with you &
then drive up as planned, I
will have to come up in the truck
& stay here in order to get the
orders all finished & off. Peggy
could stay with me Bill &
Bert will have the shack on
the other place & can stay
there. Please don't think I'm
thinking more of them than
I should it's only that I know
conditions up here you would
see it too if you were here.
Or another way might be, (no
that won't work) if there was
less snow I could get all the
bark I want & take it to
Isabels & meet you as arranged
& take it to Mirror to finish
but I want to go to Isabels
at least for two weeks
I'd hate to stay here right