

My respects are with you and your wife. Sep. 7th 1893.

Dear Bob. Our every glad to receive your letter. It cheers me & makes me considerably less torful that I have your backing & extended consideration of the problem. I am afraid that I am doing my best on a rather a difficult job and carrying a serious responsibility to you and me. A ~~good~~ ^{kind} draft can assure you that a few kind words help one to carry on.

McAllister does not seem to realize that if the Ranch gets into trouble it is going to hurt me far more than any one else. If he cannot fall in with my suggestions I wish that he would make me some suggestion to which he would agree.

He may be having troubles of his own which make him hold back in regard to any further support to the Ranch. If so we may be forced to make him an offer for his share. Would you consider any scheme of this kind?

Yesterday your nice Mary arrived from the back woods about 90 miles West of Williams Lake. We were glad to see her and she is very welcome. She looks well, but I think she must have had a trying time of it up there. She is a good sport to have stuck it for five months.

I don't know what she intends doing but you will likely hear from her direct.

Thanks very much for the papers. The Tatler & Sketch make a great hit. Joe and the youngsters all well.

Yours sincerely
Jim.

Even if ~~the~~ business does not force you
compel to come out & I hope that you manage to pay
before I visit next year. If the
Indians Ranch does not pay its expenses this
season it seems to me that we will have
to come together and decide how far we are
going to go in financing the operation.

As you all know we had a
troll spoken at our house and sterilized
at private interest at no extra charge with
all expense met except an extra
water pipe from which we had to
make a hole above it to get
water above it which it was
not fit to drink it just as it
was & hoped it would last when cleaned
from one side through with it trapped nothing
back end of pipe was moist when it went it
had water to wash pipe which was very slow
leaving fish & river many probably
that action of water about about with
it was at best very poor. We had
about all the water from the river
a back road down into Shoshone & back there
down a hill side with for the first part
of the road up of the side road at first
just above the hill side where the road
turns out road went right down the road
except with the river flowing well
with the road. But there is a place where the road
goes away from the river