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SUNDAY

January 28th.

Still quite cold. Attended church with Alice. Prof. Waller preached on preparedness which he knows very little about only in a spiritual way. Norwood in Philadelphia with his friend Dr. Johnson doing some special work. In the house all day had some friends in for tea in the evening, including my old friend Mr. Harris, he shows age considerably the last 12 months but is very bright with all. Anna Shaw Wood with us for the week end.

MONDAY

January 29th.

Very mild, like rain. Car of coke arrived by way of the L.A.P.S.Rly. 11 days from Detroit.

Letter from C.H.Plant with an order for a 60" x 14 ft. to go to Ottawa, this boiler has been in stock for two years.

Received notice also from Vancouver Machinery Depot that they have sold the same size boiler at Vancouver which has been out there about the same length of time.

Order from G.H.Evans for S.M. boiler of the same size No.2044, particulars to follow. This is quite an incident to have three boilers of same size sold practically the same day.

TUESDAY

January 30th.

Mild and bright and snow melting. Wired MacGreggor of the I.M.B. to express nozzles from M.C.Rly. Detroit.

Ordered two Locomotive boilers and one upright boiler to be sent to Montreal from Calgary and wrote full instructions to Geo.Stewart.

Cable from Ibb that he was going on leave and both well.

Received Woodmans' diary for December.

WEDNESDAY

January 31st.

Cold and freezing up. Mr. Lamond went to Detroit to secure some fire brick for Eclipse Boilers ordered, he succeeded in getting the car loaded and phoned us the number which was most satisfactory.

Nozzles arrived from Chicago by M.C.R. 2½ weeks from the latter place. Had two of them rivetted on an Eclipse Boiler before night and men working over time putting in the tubes. This will put us in good shape to finish delivery of our Eclipse Order about the 15th.

Agreed to subscribe \$2500.00 to the Patriotic & Red Cross Fund for 1917 on the understanding that the Council do not add it to the rate of the year.

Sir George is working day and night to have a banner collection of Three hundred thousand dollars distributed over 12 mos. and has got quite a few business men to subscribe double that sum with \$7500.00 from C.S. Hyman & Company.

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THURSDAY

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February 1st.

Cold and clear. Hydro off three hours for some reason.

Shipped McCormicks S.H. engine to a party at Roberval which I notified you before was sold.

Evans wires in an order for a 60 x 12 at 10 off the list f.o.b. London and a month to make it in. We have all the material.

Shipped 994 shells to-day.

FRIDAY

February 2nd.

Zero at 7 A.M. ^{but} bright. Paid \$4552.00 to 218 men including \$1944.00 piece work.

Received \$2650.00 from Evans and also \$4588.00 from I.M.B. covering car shipped 16th January.

C.H. Plant sends in an order for 25 H.P. Upright Boiler sold in Montreal.

Attended a meeting of the Patriotic Committee at C.S. Hyman's office and confirmed a public meeting on the 16th with Lieut. Governor as Chairman.

SATURDAY

February 3rd.

Very cold. 5 below zero and windy. Shipped 996 shells in car.

U.S. declared war on Germany in defence of blockade by under sea boats. Bernstorff given passport and Gerard recalled. No excitement here but plenty over the line.

John Dodds inspected two more Eclipse Boilers.

Unloading a car of 47 tons coal which is very welcome as this season of the year always very critical.

Alice went to Toronto, trains much delayed in every direction.

Cars loaded January 29th to February 3rd.

Cars unloaded Jan. 29th to Feb. 3rd.

1 - Car engine
2 - 2 finished shells
1 - " scrap *returned shells*

6 cars rough forgings
1 " coke
1 " fire brick slabs
2 " coal.