While I was up in Strathroy I saw your mother and a good many other friends of yours. The memorial erected by the I.O.D.E. in the market square was unveiled. I did the unveiling and made the address. Ross was chairman and your mother read the lesson. The unveiling took place on a Sunday afternoon and a very large crowd was present. I think the Strathroy people were very well satisfied with the ceremony. Your mother looks very well indeed and to me she is a wonderful woman. She very kindly gave quite a large tea to my wife. I played Bridge one night at AlecThompson's at a cost of 20¢. I think I might have recouped my losses had I been able to remain longer. Things in Western Ontario are looking particularly well. I never saw a better crop and there should be little reason for complaints on the part of the farmers.

poisoning and also of the delay re the patents. I have a feeling that everything will work out right.

The Mining Engineer on whom I am trying to get a line is Major H. Standish Ball, C.E.. R.E. He took a postgraduate course of one year here in 1913 and during the war had charge of the Mining School of the 1st Army. As regards his personality, education and teaching ability I am quite satisfied, but I am not at all sure he enjoys the reputation and prestige in the mining world which I think should be held by the head of our Mining Department.

With all kind wishes, I am,

Yours faithfully.