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 Coming into Canada gave me a great amount of curiosity, there was the invention of the telegraph in 1837 by Samuel Morse then the telephone in 1876 by Alexander Graham. Now they say about 300,000 telephones were used in Canada. And numbers still grow since Wilfrid Laurier of the Liberals encouraged settlement. However, now Wilfrid lost this year’s election. Some say it was because of the Naval Service Bill that he introduced last year, allowing for Canada to make the Royal Canadian Navy late 1910, since Canada has relied on the British Royal Navy. But, some opposed the Act since it could have encouraged involvement in imperial affairs, and I may agree with them. However, my youngest son, who is 23, went to join the navy wanting to serve the country. Even though I worry for him and miss him, his father and I are proud. Miss you dearly sister.

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**Belarus,**

**Brest Region,**

**Stolin District,**

**Village of Gorodetz,**

**Houovetz, Katherina**

**Dear Lena*, September 30th, 1911***

**Sincerely,**

**Sincerely, your sister**

**Dear Lena*, May 20th , 1905***

Things have been going for the better, Vancouver is a very nice place, though it taken a long time to save enough for the journey west. The property we settled on is slightly smaller than the one we had in Manitoba and the boys have already moved on from the farm and I miss them dear. Now it is just me and the youngest daughter on the farm while Ian works to earn more money. It is a little new to me still, living in Canada, while our native country was established before I was born, we grew with its traditions, Canada is still managing, I heard that 2 new provinces have joined, Alberta and Saskatchewan. Reply soon