

Tigara

Ans. 8/15/12

Tigara Alaska

Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> 1912

Dear Walter C. Shields

Last winter I wrote to you a long letter by the mail carrier, But I didnot receive answer from you, I suppose you didnot get my letter, You told me to write letter to you and you would like answer,

I remember you all the time, I thought you will come on board of Cutter Bear <sup>in your summer</sup>

We are all well and I hope you the same we are, I hope every body are well and happy.

Last Spring my father caught one big whale 10 ft. 2 in. length of bone, He bought some stuff from Captain Buckland and he send some

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whole time to out side,

I have (69) sixty-nine reindeer now  
 last June, my father (64) sixty four  
 altogether (133) one hundred thirty three,  
 last month we killed five for skins.  
 Our herd ~~were~~ <sup>have</sup> good place, many  
 moss to eat, We have over (1,000)  
 one thousand I think reindeer now,  
 all herd,

Last July 14<sup>th</sup> Tellie and I we got  
 married in St. Thomas Mission, Dr.  
 Goodman married us. We lived in  
 Deer Camp now, I bought many  
 rubs and something else,

My wife would send some things  
 to your wife, slipper or steam-~~bag~~  
~~was~~ belt, but Bear come pretty soon  
 before she finished, So she didnot

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make <sup>for your wife,</sup> I think she will send it by the mail carrier next Fall by the first mail, she would like to know how big your wife wants slipper and what kind, Tell me soon as you can,

Please send me some stamps and envelopes.

Please answer,

Best wishes, for you and your wife  
my wife send best wishes for your wife,

I remain your ever friend

Chester Downey Senck

my wife waiting here,

Dear Miss Shields

please send me letter and tell me many things.

Tellie Downey