

*[Letter from Herbert Dyer to his aunt Olive Knight; he is the son of Fred and Emma Dyer, Olive's sister]*

May 17 - 23

Dear Aunt Olive,

I wrote to Arne from the woods last Winter. He never answered it so I will try you this time. I came out of the woods on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Was there until the job was done.

Am now night clerk at the Mansion House, So. Poland, Me. and expect to be here all summer and perhaps longer. This is a year round job if I care to stay here. It makes a good home for me as I have a nice room and bath and fine board and good pay. Also my laundry done free. The only thing I have to buy is my tobacco. The rate of board here is \$8 per day and I get the same board as I would as a guest. I work from 10 PM to 7 am every day. May get a day job if I stay here for a few months.

I wish that you would have someone fix the lot all up nice this spring so it will look nice on Decoration Day. Please keep count of the cost and tell me and I will send you the money at once. I was counting on going there this Spring, but this was too good a job to refuse.

My auto is for sale for \$275. It is about as good as new, has been run not over 3000 miles. If Arne should see anyone who wants a trade there it is. It cost me \$587.50 Sept. 24 – 1921 and is a 1922 Model with that case on behind and also a new rear body like any other runabout. I got my license & no. plates, cost me \$12, the very day I took this job. I think I will let cars alone and try to save up some money. Have to keep dressed up like a minister on this job all the time. It is alright where they do our laundry free.

I hope you are all well. Will close with love to all.

Your nephew,  
Herbert R. Dyer  
So. Poland, Me.  
Mansion House