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Dear Sir Arthur;

Confirming my letter of 21st April , and acknowledging yours of thirtieth, I herein enclose you two snap shots of my Grand-Son Claxton Searle, seated in the Mc Gill chair , on his first birthday , July 25 1917 at that time he was the principle object in the picture, but the chair will loom large with you.

It is of mahogany, now well darkened by time , was originally upholstered in black Horse hair , note the old fashioned brass casters , its weight is I should say all of one hundred pounds, and when one moves it , it seems much heavier.

As nearly as I can recollect, it was bought by Father in the emrly sixties, since which time it has been in constant use in his home or mine .

I was glad to hear that you and my brother George are frêands, we correspond regularly, and are pretty good pals. As for my Nephew Brooke , I know of his war record , and admire him greatly. In 1915-16 we. (Mrs Claxton and I) had twenty Nephews, Nieces, and cousins, with the Canadians in France, Five are still there , R.I.P.

Assuring you of my continued interest in anything Canadian, and particularly in old Mc Gill, I remain,

Yours faithfully.

Fred J. Clayton