

flour-mill, and a post and land agency office, a church and chapel, besides settlers dwelling houses commencing, business is not carried on here in the same old ding dong way of the mason's trowel and hammer that ye have, in one week a man can get a frame house raised fit for any person; you mention having got a Treatise on Canada by Martin Doyle, I think you may place every confidence in his account of Huron, by a reference to the map attached to that book, you may trace my route from Quebec to Easthope, by Montreal, Prescott, York, &c. also in the map of the Huron Tract, which is at the foot of the other, you can see how beautifully intersected that part of the block where I live is, with rivers and streams, all of which abound with fish. The mode of travelling in the winter is in sleighs drawn by horses, with a light sleigh or cutter and one horse you can travel fifty or sixty miles a day; in the other seasons horses and waggons are the mode of conveyance; since I wrote the above I looked over Martin Doyle, and fully agree with his account of the climate, in the 14th and following pages, and in the 28th page at the 12th line you will find an account of the road on which I live, it is a very public one, the stage coach will soon be running on from York to Goderich, every day. My dear Father, I am still continuing, thank God, to get on well in my health and business, I have now twenty acres of my land cleared, and my stock and crops doing well, I have six acres of wheat and oats as high as myself almost fit to reap, two acres of very fine potatoes, with turnips, pumpkins, Indian corn, and all sorts of vegetables; land is getting into such demand here that the government and Canada Company are about raising their prices, therefore, if you determine to come lose no time, I hope your health will rather improve by the change, along with leaving all the broils and disturbances of unfortunate Ireland; in my second letter which I hope you have now, there were some articles mentioned which I thought would be necessary for you to bring out, in addition to which you should bring your bed and window hangings, carpets, fire irons, all sorts of vegetable and flower seeds, and a fishing line, and small hooks tied on gut. New York is the safest and most expeditious way of coming here, but then it is by far the most expensive, there is scarcely any thing but they charge duty on there, by having a sober and gentlemanly