

who say, we have no poor, and there is very little active work that we can do for the Master ; we should like to help your or rather the Lord's work ; bring us over these children from their misery, and we will make us households like flocks of sheep." And verily the promise is literally fulfilled—they take the beggar from the dunghill and set him among the princes.

This, gentlemen, is the work I am trying to do, and this the work in which I again ask your kind co-operation. As far as your own schools are concerned, I desire to bear testimony to the very admirable way in which your children are managed. I have only had two of your children returned to me at the Home, viz., Chansy and Howes, and neither of them for what could be considered bad conduct ; but the whole system of the education of pauper girls is false and rotten, and in a very short time we shall have a Government report that will prove that while in our large district schools we have a maximum of expense we have a minimum of result. And I say that no girl can grow up into a decent, an affectionate and a faithful woman without home influence ; and that for the founding, the pauper, and the deserted child this is an absolute impossibility in England, but it is a good hope and an almost absolute certainty in Canada.

I thank you for your patient attention to my remarks, and trust my explanations will have proved satisfactory.

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