

injure any person whatever. Such allusions are only to set the Home right with the public—the attack upon which I cannot strongly enough characterize as a grievous wrong and wicked outrage. My own temper has been much tried by it, and the Matron of course has felt it severely. It has not been easy to restrain my feelings of contempt for the attack and the attackers. The very burden laid upon me of all this voluminous report has been irksome, and there is some natural indignation towards those who have imposed it. This begets temper and impatience of feeling. But these feelings have been held in subjection, and there is desire to do good to all, rather than ill to any, and get all the good to the Home the occasion will afford. But an honest woman and an honest work having been publicly assailed, there has been decision and determination in their defence.

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The case as to Infants is this—If refused at the Infants' Home, most of these helpless babes must by a longer or shorter path reach the nunnery. Under Mrs. Gowan's arrangements the best conditions for their comfort and safety going, there have been secured, and so on the score of humanity it was best that she should so far act, but that implicated her and the Home so far in the responsibility. Her action therein being now disallowed, and the mother and infant left to themselves, except allowing a fellow inmate to go with her if the mother desires it, those conditions of comfort and safety for the infant may be lost and humanity so far suffer, but the Home will escape responsibility.

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Major Malan's Experiences of a Soldier, page 72.

"But not only in this respect was his (Major General Sir David Russell), example blessed to me, I learned, by the answers he received to his prayers, to believe more implicitly in the efficacy of prayer. God gave him grace to abound in love. Amongst other good works was a Home for Fallen Women. No such institution existed then in Canada. He began it and founded it in prayer. In answer to his prayers, the best possible Home and the best possible Matron, were found. Both still continue, and many precious souls have been rescued from sin and death by means of that Home."

The Seigneurs Street Home is the Home, and Mrs. Gowan is the Matron referred to.