

he was found at the corner of the street sitting on his box crying. He was taken in by Mrs. G., who kept him for some weeks, and got his present situation, assistant to a small market gardener, where he is in a very humble home, but is kindly treated. His employer, however, talks of "going to the West." The boy, when I found him, confirmed the preceding statement, adding details of hardship that it is unnecessary to repeat. He had been in the Chichester Workhouse for three years, where his conduct was reported to be "good." The information furnished to the Guardians about him from Canada is:—"Good accounts are received from this child. He is at St. Catherine's, in a gentleman's family." The boy's own description of the place in "a gentleman's family" was, that his master was a "sort of middlin farmer; that he was put to wash the dishes, scrub floors, drive cattle, and do little chores about the house." ("Chores" is a term peculiar to domestic service in Canada, and embraces all the little odds and ends of household work that children can do, and are employed to do at a very early age.) The good woman who so kindly interested herself for the boy, observed to me—"You are the first person, sir, who has ever been to visit these children or to make any inquiry about them." I should observe, on the other hand, that Miss Rye took me to visit several cases, about 40, many of them near to, but some at a little distance from Niagara. I may say generally of them all, that the children were in a satisfactory state, some of them remarkably so, and that Miss Rye appeared to have intimate knowledge of the circumstances of nearly all of these cases. But there are many others of which nothing authentic is known, as they have not been visited; others still, as the following, of which all trace seems to have been lost.

E. B. is lost sight of.

C. C. left her second place a year ago. Present address not known.

J. C. believed to have left last reported situation. The present address of M. H. is not known at "Our Western Home."

Not sure whether C. J. is in last reported situation.

A. L's. present address not known.

A. C., after being in seven different places, and in the House of Refuge at Rock Port in the United States, has been lost sight of.

M. C. has changed places several times, but her present address is not known.

It is "a little doubtful whether E. C. is still in her last reported situation."

E. D. has been removed, but her present address is not known.

J. F., who has had seven or eight different places, is said to be in the neighbourhood of "Our Western Home," and "believed" to be doing respectably, but address not known.

M. A. G. has left her place, and her present address is not known.

Not known whether H. H. is still in her last reported situation, which was her sixth place.

Not sure that H. J. is in her fourth place; the last address that was given to me.

M. McN., instead of going to her fourth place, went on the town, and is now leading an immoral life.

Miss Rye gave me the address of E. M. as living with Mr. J. C., and added that she was "doubtful whether still there." Upon visiting some of the children, I found that E. M. had left Mr. J. C.  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years ago, and had been since then with Mrs. B., who had never seen Miss Rye or had any arrangement about the child.

Miss Rye could not give me the address of A. P., but stated that after being with Dr. W. she went over to the States to Mr. B. Lost her