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LONDON, ONT., 6th May, 1875.

MY DEAR MISS RYE,—I beg to enclose a photograph of Emma Gardner, a little girl who came as a servant to my house from the Home at Niagara, about three years ago. She has got on remarkably well, and seems perfectly happy and contented. Beyond a lecture now and again, to improve her memory, she has never required to be spoken to. She takes a pride in being well clothed, and the dress she appears in in her photograph has been all paid for out of her wages, and selected by herself.

All my friends who obtained girls from your Home have had great satisfaction in the selection, and I believe those girls, as well as Emma Gardner, fully realize the great advantage they have received by coming to Canada.

I saw in the newspapers what purports to have been a statement made by a Mr. Doyle, in connection with children placed in Canada through your energies, and I must say that I consider his statements not based on facts; and certainly I never heard of his making any enquiries in this locality, or through any of my friends who got girls from your Home.

Wishing you much happiness and prosperity in your laudable and Christian undertaking,

I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

SIMPSON H. GRAYDON,

*Late Mayor of London.*

Miss Rye, Niagara.

LONDON, ONT., 10th May, 1875.

MADAM,—According to request, find photograph of the girl Jane Smith, whom we had from the Western Home. She is doing pretty fairly.

Regarding the statements made by the Commissioner, I noted them in the newspapers, and I am of opinion that those statements are most unfair, and not warranted by facts that came under his observation.

Mr. Doyle, on his way from Chicago, called and introduced himself, and, from the conversation we had, I saw that his mind was made up adverse to the work before he saw any of the youngsters from the Home in the London district. As the names were read over from his memoranda, and the parties with whom they were placed, it was quite plain that he felt only disposed to call and see a few, who, from their own misconduct or otherwise, had fallen into the hands of labourers, or such poor people. After seeing such, the Commissioner declared himself satisfied, with, I think, only one exception, and that was a case where no positive bad treatment was complained of: only the people, he said, were very poor.

My own impression (speaking as an Old Countryman) is, that girls in their circumstances do very much better in Canada than they could do in England.

Trusting that you will go on with the good work in which you have been so immensely successful, and praying that a kind Providence and Christian grace may assist your future efforts,

I am, dear Madam,

Yours very truly,

GEORGE D. SUTHERLAND.

Miss M. S. Rye, Niagara.

LONDON, ONT., April 4th, 1874.

DEAR MADAM,—In reply to your note of 22nd ult., I send you enclosed a photograph of the little girl I took from you five years ago, and would beg to remark that she was a delicate child: sitting in a chair, her head would scarcely reach the top. She stated she had been pushed down stairs and her collar-bone broken, kicked out of bed and her arm broken, and that they gave her cod liver oil a long time. Now