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1513, 1st St W. Calgary, June 21st

My own darling,

Yours of the 19th this moment received & I hasten to write to assure you that I merely suggested that Minnie's name be added, thinking it might be done & no harm come to you. She has the money for her ticket so you need not send it, my dear. She would feel hurt.if.you.did.such.a. thing, believe me. Of course, my letter re Orillia was in reply to one of yours which you particularly requested me to answer & give you my ideas of the suggestion at once which I did. I had to know as soon as possible [/pg 1]

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on account of the packing which if we went to Orillia would <u>have</u> to be different from that necessary for Winnipeg.

I did not know you were going to F^{t.} Qu'appelle as you forgot to mention it. I shall in that case leave here on the 30th I think. We shall go direct to "The Empire" hotel as you say & then I shall phone M^{rs.} Mackie & the others. No! dear [*sic*], we have not got mixed up. the [*sic*] only thing is the uncertainty of where we were to go - if I wrote hastily or vaguely I regret it, but I had to write in great haste to catch the first mail as you requested me to do so. The Bagnell's [*sic*] of course are coming to

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Winnipeg, but I do not think would have gone to Orillia.

M^{r.} Jarvis came up for an hour last night. He came back on Saturday night & off again at 4 a.m this morning on a two hundred mile drive - he could go by train, by the O.C. wants him to drive - he has kept him out & the only day he is in for orders, he is on duty, so he will not have a slow time of it. Of course, Buzz has said nothing, these are merely my remarks. The garden party a great success, marred by a heavy shower, but we went in & had music during that time. Would you be kind enough to give Regie M^cGillis a letter to John B. Bright he might give him something to do & he would like

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[pg 4] that kind of work.

Harwood is much better, though his face is still swollen - he suffers no pain now & is bright as a new dollar. God bless you, my darling. There is very little news since yesterday. Am needless to say, very busy. Write soon again & keep me posted as to your future movements. They call M^{rs.} Cruikshank (I mean Jarvis, M^{rs.} Deane & some others) "my colonel" as she kept continually saying that when she dined at the Deane's. she [airs] his title, I assure you. With love & kisses,

As ever,

Your own devoted wifie, Maye.

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