

Niagara Falls city
1770 Robinson st.
Dec 13th 1925.

Dear Cousin.

Will Laura you will think I have forgotten to write to you but I have been waiting to get more information about the fortune.

Will we write to Jane Allison that is your second cousin with whom our Great ~~Grand~~ Grand mother used to live with she says Lord Douglas name was Sir Charles Skelton Douglas and the estate in Edinburg Scotland. you asked me how

we came to find out² - about it -
there was an old man by the
name of Mr Sherris was at
your Grandfather's and wanted
him to go to Scotland if he got
anything Grandfather was to pay
the way if not he would have
said that Grandmother Our
Grandfather's mother Lady Isabelle
daughter Francis was always
talking about the estate said
that her father said something
that it was willed to fifth
generation and was not to go back
to the crown and was not if
no fifth generation was not to
back to the crown until all

fourth generation were dead
and there quite a number of
them living yet ^{there is} so ~~it~~ some
hopes. I will tell you the history
from the time she left Scotland
Lady Isabelle sailed on Mayflower
and he intended on another
~~the~~ Lord Douglas thought
both sailed on same boat
her boat landed and he did
not through some accident
therefore she went and worked
for a family by the name of
Gortimer at a place called
New Jersey and married one of

the sons she⁴ tells how her
grand-father (Lord Douglas) came
over to see her mother could not
be found but she heard about
it so walked from New Jersey
to New York only to take the boat
had gone so he went thinking
she had married ~~to~~ a man
different than the one she
did marry so made his will
leaving to fifth generation so
she would get no benefit of
it. Lord Douglas was opposed
to her marrying the man that
was lost on the boat do not
no name not seeing her or
knowing about her took it for

granted she married so that
is the reason he made his
will as he did. you have
the other of information in the
other letter I wrote so will not
need to put it in this one.

Well we are all quite
well ~~every~~^{one} seems ~~to~~^{be} busy
getting ready for Xmas I only
wish you were near so
we could enjoy it - to gether
so I can hardly realize that it
is so near. Our Sunday school
are going to have their Xmas
entertainment on 22nd and
day school now Friday wish

#6.
you when hear Civil High
School had their ~~Commencement~~
Commencement a week ago it
was fine they put on the play
of Julius Caesar you remember
Mr. Millner next door that little
girl has been quite sick has
had to operations on her throat
and far from well yet -

you remember Bertie's
oldest girl she was married
this fall so instead of writing
about it I will just send
you the clipping that was in
the paper it is the one

That did n't have her hair
cut.

I will close for this time
hoping to hear from you
again before long

I will remain

Your Cousin

Margaret Ward

wish you all a Merry Xmas
and Happy New Year