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Quebec - Canada
5 de Brebeuf St
February 24th 98

Dear Madame Zola -

We have all been watching with such profound interest the daily reports of the trial of your noble hearted husband, that I think it may gratify you & him, to know that even at such a distance from France, the sympathy with M. Zola in his brave efforts for the unfortunate victim M. Dreyfus, is

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almost as keen, as among his Parisian friends — You probably are aware, Madame, of the entire liberty of the press in Britain, & also the undisputed justice & fair play accorded to all, in English courts, throughout our great Queen's dominions — Therefore the extraordinary developements in the French Court, such as witnesses turning their backs on the M. Labori & refusing to answer, &c &c I see not with admiration —

I was in Tours (France) when M. Dreyfus was tried (?) & banished — the old Court of the Inquisition managed things just in that way, & the thought I am a judge's daughter & have all my life felt the greatest interest in legal affairs; & perhaps in consequence, my feeling of indignation when I peruse the evidence in M. Zola's case, are warmer than most Canadians, but I assure you, the sympathy with M. Zola here, is very universal

but from the first, he felt almost certain he could never obtain justice in France - You have already had great judicial scandals in your midst, & while secrecy prevails, instead of open, honest testimony, there is no hope of getting justice against people in high places - M. Zola has done most courageously his best in the cause of humanity & right, & while he regrets deeply his imprisonment

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we feel convinced that will seem unimportant to the generous hearted man, and Madame, he will reap his reward - we have never lost our faith in God in America, & he is just - Pardon dear Madame, the liberty I have taken in addressing you - my idea in doing so, was simply that you might be gratified by an assurance of the interest felt in all parts of the civilized world, in the efforts of your celebrated

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husband - This fine flourishing Country of Canada, belonged in old times to France, therefore, you should feel a little interest in hearing that all around me as I walked through our streets of late, I heard men discussing about Dreyfus, & M. Zola, with keen animation, for our population retains a friendly affection for the land of the Fleur de lys, though a mighty ocean rolls between us, & we are loyal & happy subjects of the English Queen -

Now, Madame, I have the honour to bid you adieu - with all good wishes for your Safety and happiness -

I am
Yours truly
Annie K. Gregor

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