

Colin Rankin fonds

Correspondence from Lord Grey, Ottawa (GA3-11-1)

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1st Nov. 1905.

Dear Mr. Rankin,

You will I know be glad to hear that Major Holford and I arrived here safely this morning, bringing home with us the pleasantest possible recollections of our trip into the heart of your country, and I take the earliest opportunity which the post affords me of writing to thank you for all the trouble you took to provide for our comfort, amusement and instruction. The taste you have given me of your country has whetted my appetite and I shall look forward with hope to another visit to your beautiful lakes.

Hoping you were none the worse for all the kind trouble you took on my account & with kind regards from Major Holford

I remain,

Yours truly,

[Grey]

PS I am sending you one of my photographs as a little memento

Don't forget [to] with [?] "Plenty [?]"

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Dear Mr. Rankin,

I shall be glad if you will let me know as soon as possible what price Mr. Brown asks for his 400 acres, and if you could obtain an option for me at \$6000 for the land and everything standing upon it, including furniture of the house and yacht, until the end of November, I would endeavour to bring Her Excellency and my daughter up with me and pay a visit both to Mr. Brown's house and to Lake Tamagani.

Of course you will not mention my name in any way. For reasons that I told you yesterday it would not be worth my while to go to the expense of having a home of my own in your Lake Country, unless I were able to obtain a very good bargain.

I remain,

Yours truly,

[Grey]

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