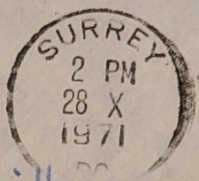


Ans



Mrs M. D. Millar

2095 Lakeshore Drive

Dorval.

Quebec.

Oct 26th '71

Dear Mrs Millar.

I am so stupid I should have written to you ages ago. I don't think you really understand, what goes on with Gaëtane, she will never be able to work at any job, as she is not normal, you must know that she is absolutely unemployable. That is why we wanted you to get her a place of her own.

After your letter, with the clippings (all of which were irrelevant) she put on a dress of Mary's & my shoes & tried to get a job at Woodwards as a girl, no go so she tried as a boy jeans from a rummage sale, old runners of Michaels etc, but no luck as a boy either, & if you don't think this is terribly sad I do, in fact I'm almost in tears now, to think of her valiant efforts to cope with

a world she will never be able ⁽²⁾
to cope with.

She is not either a boy or a
girl, no amount of psychiatry
will ever be able to alter this,
she is desperately in love with
Rosamund, who is an absolutely
beautiful person, loving & gentle
but unable herself to cope with
her own life.

Now as I see it you can
either look Bambi up for life
or you can help her now.

At the moment she has gone
off to Saturna Island & is living
in the bush in a stick house,
& it is getting colder & wetter,
she went because she feels she
is not contributing here towards
her keep etc., & I'm sorry if we
made her feel that way, as
anyrate we often have 8-10 young
people staying here, so what's one more!

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Now just a word about something we did in my family, 15 or so years ago, for my brother who is schizoid we had a choice, (our parents being dead) to incarcerate him in a mental home, or get him a house of his own. This is what we did, my 3 sisters & my other brother & myself all contributed & bought him a huge ramshackle old manor house in the U.K. & he has lived here HAPPILY. in an awful muddle & is now 60 years old & will live there until he dies, we send him a little money & old clothes & the villagers understand about him & are kind, a sort of qualified village idiot situation.

Please help Bahbi now. get her that place, it is beautiful offer them £14,000 cash, my

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Sensible children (Mary & her husband & Caroline) will help her set it up, I'm sure dear Peter will help too, ie roof the log house etc. & then she can keep a goat, some chicken & rabbits for food, grow a bit & earn & keep a horse & live Happily or anyrate give it a try it might work out, a lot of young people will help Gaëtane & an owl,

anyrate you must not just leave her alone now on Crown Zellerbach, with winter coming & I cannot think you really want her locked up like her mother suggested in an asylum near her in France.

with kindest regards
Isabel Hunt

(Mrs E.H. Vane-Hunt)

P.S.

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I am sending qairanes B.C. medical insurance bill to Mr. Port, she has needed a few things already, & it will be better to carry insurance, it's \$60 a year this year, but only \$6 next year as she will be a B.C. resident.

I see this don't cover hospital ~~gatt~~ benefits & I think we will & find ^{our} about that as I feel she should be covered.

P.P.S. I feel reverading

G.N.H.

this that I am interfering in your family, if you feel the same please try to forgive me it's only because I'm gravely concerned about your granddaughter.

G.N.H.