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Note for SI Meerkol file

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Went to see Sr. M. Cordelia, former superior of the Home at Meerkol. She told me she remembers a senior boy coming "trying to tell me" about "Kevin" doing things he should not, and "his father wanted something done about it." Cordelia was not at all specific & very vague on name, years etc, but she described an older boy who was on staff caring & said he since 'worked in the railway', 'married a nice girl' etc. It is almost certainly Kevin Baker she is describing. She went on to say that she truly believed "Kevin wouldn't do anything like that" and dismissed the boy's complaint. The boy's father came to take him away some time after this. Cordelia does not remember the father making further complaint. Given the vagueness of Cordelia's

recollections, I have not passed this information to police at this stage. I have reason to believe one or more boys have raised complaints against Kevin Baker & that the police are investigating. I do not believe the above is likely to be relevant.

However, if complaint is made that 'Sisters knew & did nothing', the above becomes relevant. I firmly believe Cordelia has complete trust in Kevin. The matter has only returned to trouble her mind now that allegations are being made.

R. M. Leech

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