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(Concluded.)

We have the complete list of the Reserves, who will get part of their presents by Christmas Day, but the tobacco pouches will not be ready until after Christmas.

The Gifts for the Dardanelles were sent out in the middle of November. As we had some money over we telegraphed to London to augment the gifts for the Dardanelles, part of the money to be spent on mouth organs and concertinas; these additional gifts left England a few days ago.

The Gifts for the lads at Arr will reach them on Christmas Day. The card as we designed it was not ready in time and the Association in London sent another card instead, but you should write to your friends and say that, although our card was not ready, the presents came from you.

I have said enough to make it clear that, though some lads complain of cold, they are now all warmly clad with lots of thick underwear; and the Secretary of State telegraphs that the money spent on the Newfoundland Contingent compares favourably with that given to other Battalions. I have seen hundreds of letters in which no complaints at all are made.

I hope that all the private packages will get safely to the other end, but the General Post Office has to surmount great difficulties. Parcels need to be very well packed indeed, and should be sent to the Newfoundland Regimental Record Office at 58 Victoria Street, London, S.W., where they will be packed together in strong cases by special arrangement with the Post Office in London, to be shipped by steamer from London to Alexandria in Egypt. The cases were transferred to another steamer for the Island of Lemnos (the main head quarters), and to a smaller ship to the Island of Tenedos, (the head quarters for our portion of the forces), and finally in lighters to be put ashore at Smyrna bay. So some of the smaller parcels (if sent separately) are liable to be lost.

I very much regret all the misunderstanding there has been with regard to the shipments of our Regiment, and I hope I have made all clear in this letter, and relieved the minds of all the parents and relatives of our boys, and that they may now enjoy a happy Christmas, contented in knowing that their dear ones in the far away Gallipoli Peninsula have all that they need.

There is one more word that I must add before closing, and that is to tell you that I have had the most encouraging letter, written by command of the Queen, by Her Private Secretary, Mr. Wallington. Her Majesty desires me to convey to "all the Members of the Women's Patriotic Association of Newfoundland, Her Majesty's sincere appreciation and thanks." The letter further says,—"The Queen is also interested to receive the Report of the work done by the Association during the past twelve months, and Her Majesty heartily congratulates the Members on their patriotic efforts."

We are now just going to cease work for a short spell of a fortnight, and then in the New Year return to our work with renewed energy. Let me close with the best of good wishes to you all for Christmas and a prosperous New Year, with a satisfactory PEACE before its close.

Believe me, yours sincerely,
MARGARET DAVIDSON.

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Harbor Grace, Jan. 6, 1916.

Conception Bay Fishery Rules

And other Matters

(Editor the Guardian.)

Dear Sir,—Early in June last year the Department of Marine and Fisheries sent out a decision of the Fisheries Board, that no cod traps or nets shall be set out from the fishing ground extending from Feather Point, Harbor Grace, to Bay Roberts Point. This piece of ground is about six miles in length and from 100 to 300 fathoms in depth. It is capable of containing some hundreds of codtraps and a very great number of nets. It is also capable of berthing a very great army of handline fishermen. A small portion of this ground has been used for several years back by trap fishermen from Bryant's Cove.

The ground has been used in part by some 40 or 50 handline boats from Island Cove and Bryant's Cove. For a great many years back handline boats have not on the average been able to secure as much as ten qts per boat up to about Aug. 15th., when the trapping season is over and the traps are taken up. This year as well as last fish have been very plentiful on this ground. It has been there this season in great abundance and it can be shown that handline boats have not averaged six to eight qts. per boat up to August 15th., excepting what may have been procured some few days later on trawls in deep water.

However, thinking over the highest figure and allowing for 50 boats the total catch by handliners has not been more than 50x8=400 qts at \$6.00, representing \$2400.00 earnings. The 19 traps in Bryant's Cove alone could fairly have averaged 300 qts. per trap this season, and this gives 4800 qts at \$6.00=\$28,800.00. By forcing the traps off this ground they have not averaged 60 qts per trap, giving a total value of \$6,000.00.

This idiotic and stupid regulation of the Fisheries Board has thus cost the fishermen of this small section the sum of some \$20,000.00 and it has not added one cent to the earnings of the handliners. The whole country is thus poorer, to at least this amount by this piece of stupid politics, for politics is the only thing that is made in response to a petition signed by these same handliners and their friends who are not fishing at all. The Board made this ruling because the number petitioning against was greater than that for the traps. This is not Fisheries but only stupid politics.

The possible earning power of the people is the question to consider, and after sufficient proof was forwarded of injury to any call of wage earners then and then only should any restriction whatever be placed against a fisherman earning on honest and well-deserved living from his fishing operations. When will we begin to use some sense in our fishing operations and regulations. Who can estimate how many million quintals of cod have been named in and out of this Conception Bay this season. For weeks the great large fish literally filled the waters over this area and very much further up the Bay. This much could be seen by anyone who chose to look down into the water. Out of these millions of quintals a paltry few thousand have been caught by all means. These fish could not be caught by all means. These fish could not be caught with bait or jigger but could be secured by the use of the twine in traps and nets. By the use of a little intelligent direction by an intelligent and non-political Fisheries Department and thoughtful and let us say technical operation on the part of our fishers, we could fall soon become independent and the whole country be flourishing.

One could write for months on the stupidity of our fishery regulations. For instance take that regulation which prevents sailing of herring for too long from April to August in this section with herring in abundance and their value of ordinary cure, \$3.50 to \$4.00, and Scotch cure, \$8.00 to \$10.00. And then we spend our time and energy doing out poor relief. Are we saving these fishes that they may swim off to Nova Scotia waters and to New Brunswick and the Eastern States, or are we anxious that we may catch some that had better be caught off Norway or Scotland or in the North Sea by the Danes and Hollanders and delivered to the Germans to maintain them in good fighting condition.

When will we wake up and apply ourselves to the present task of gaining a good living from the waters around us and stop groaning and moaning over the good old times.

The above is only an instance, but our system or lack of system is right full of stupid politics and suicide regulations. Thanking you for space.

Yours truly,
OBSERVER.

Harbor Grace, Jan. 6, 1916.

Letter From John Barrett

No. 2 Co., C. E. F., Somewhere in Belgium, Dec. 12, 1915.

Dear Father,—I am writing you these few lines to let you know I am well, and I hope this will reach you all the same. You said on your letter you were uneasy about me, but I must tell you there is no need of that, for I will be all right.

Well, I cannot tell you much news about the war. But I must tell you that we brought down today a German aeroplane which was flying over our trenches. We also captured a lot of German prisoners, and they told us they were glad to surrender.

We are getting very good food here and lots of clothing. I got 3 blankets, 4 suits underwear, 4 pairs socks, 2 pairs mitts, 1 over coat and a warm cap, and we get a little tobacco every week.

While I am writing there is a heavy bombardment going on, but our artillery is answering back. I got the papers you sent me, and I read them with pleasure, and I hope to get some more. After I read them I pass them around to my comrades and they were glad to get them. I wrote to all the boys home but I did not get any reply.

Well father, you must excuse this writing, I don't worry about me I will take care of myself. The Germans can't hurt me. So cheer up, I will be home after it is over. So wishing you a Happy New Year. I remain your loving son,

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