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## GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION OF SOME SIGHTS SEEN IN BRITISH CHANNEL

Former Member of Standard Staff Tells of Things Happening Every Day—Numbers of Bodies Floating After Ship Bringing Blacks from Africa Torpedoed.

The following letter from Colin McKay, a former member of The Standard staff, who is at the present time serving His Majesty on one of the troopships conveying soldiers across the channel, will be read with interest. Mr. McKay left St. John as a member of the crew of the St. George, the former C.P.R. flyer in the Digby-St. John service, and has been on active duty ever since. He describes in graphic language some of the sights witnessed in the course of his journey back and forth carrying wounded soldiers one way and troops the other, and leaves the impression that there is something doing all the time in that part of the world. The letter says: "Maybe you've noticed the U boats have been somewhat active recently."



COLIN McKay.

Last trip we noticed a certain liveliness in the channel. The Appam had just been sunk off the Isle of Wight by collision. She was loaded with blacks from Africa for the labor battalions. About 600 were drowned. Most of her white crew had gone down to the bottom; but hundreds of black bodies cluttered the surface of the sea—an amazing phenomenon. "Then we passed a big tramp, empty and with a hole in her side as big as a house. You could see daylight through holes in her other side. But she floated, and was brought in. If the torpedo had struck ten feet further aft, it would have got her engine room. Next, a fine, fast ship, armed to hunt submarines. She found one, but unfortunately the submarine moved her first. Her bows were gone sheer to the foremast."

**U Boat Falls.**  
"Then off Havre, a nice little U boat appeared, and started shelling the Lydis, an empty troopship homeward bound. For twenty minutes she kept up the entertainment, but by double banking her stokehold crowd, the troopship got away without a hit. Next the Londonderry, another empty troopship homeward bound, perceived a submarine, just emerging right ahead. Troopers have no guns, and homeward bound no escort. The troopship charged head on, and the U lamb submerged. Heard she shivered as she passed over. Anyway the U boat did not appear again in a hurry."

"Along about this time the Glenart Castle, a big hospital ship, struck a torpedo or mine off the Isle of Wight. With a big hole in her stern she floated; her patients, some 650 were taken off, and she was beached. "On the return voyage, yesterday, we passed an empty boat and a lot of life rafts. They belonged to the Connaught, one of the few ships in the channel which was able to give us a decent race. A troopship, she was returning home empty, and at 3.20 p. m. was torpedoed. Three men clinging up the troop decks aft, were killed. Struck near the mainmast her wireless was put out of commission. Crew took to boats, chief steward regretting he had to leave 250 behind him. Hardly in boats when two U boats emerged. One left fly another torpedo, caught the troopship in the engine room, and down she went presto! One submarine was said to be nearly 400 feet long; but the little fellow did the work. Her commander visited the boats, asking for the skipper of the troopship."

**Wanted Captain as Prisoner.**  
"Very polite pirate he was, according to my informant, who was formerly with us."

"Master and mates were all in one boat—they'd stayed to see the boats launched. As the submarine confined its tour of inspection, the master doffed his uniform which was sunk overboard, and hid himself in the bow locker. At last the sub ranged alongside, and the pirate said: 'Is the master of the ship which has recently disappeared in this boat. Very anxious, don't you know, to see him.'"

"Sorry," said the mate, "but he was killed by the explosion."

"And who are you, if you please?"

"Chief officer?"

"Then you can tell me what trade your ship was engaged in?"

"Carrying mixed merchandise to France."

"Really. Don't you know, she

didn't look like a cargo boat to me. So your captain was killed. Too bad. I have with me a captive captain, and I would like to provide him with company. I think you're too young to be a skipper. But what was your skipper doing at? Struck you at that first time, didn't I? And a-ah, bully shot too, wasn't it? Nearly two miles, I think."

"I'm no judge. But you certainly got us."

**Took Captain as Souvenir.**

"Quite so! Well, well, since I cannot ask your captain to share my hospitality, will you kindly ask one of your ancient mariners to make me a present of his cap band, bearing the name of your ship. I would like one as a souvenir of this interesting meeting."

"The politeness of the pirate charmed the hearts of the sailors; in haste they hung him two hat bands."

"Many thanks," said he "I'll send one aboard my confere, in case I never return home, don't you know."

"Will you give us a tow towards land—its a long row to Tipperary?" inquired a gruff voiced sailorman.

"Sorry. These waters are not healthy. Besides Britannia rules the waves don't you know."

"The pirate who spoke with a Cockney accent saluted gravely—his ship moved away."

## INTRODUCED TO HIS MAJESTY

Lieut. W. G. McGinley, of the Standard staff, who is at the present time serving His Majesty on one of the units in France, and after a short time in the trenches was unfortunately wounded, writes home that he is rapidly getting better and is probably by this time back in France with his unit.

His letter, which was dated March 12, tells of having been given three weeks leave to recuperate and then he expected to go back to the front. On March 10 he was present at a party at Buckingham Palace and had a splendid time.

The letter says in part: "I had my medical board last Tuesday and was given three weeks leave. I was packed off down here to convalesce. When I got back to London on the 28th I expect they will pack me off back to France although I feel anything but fit. However, the next two weeks in the country may make all the difference in the world."

**Presented to King.**

On Saturday last I was invited to attend a party at Buckingham Palace and spent one of the most enjoyable afternoons imaginable. First of all an entertainment of a very high order was presented after which we adjourned to the grand salon where refreshments were served. We were all presented to the King, Queen Mary, Queen Alexandra, Prince Albert, and Prince George. While we were in the salon the King wandered around in the most democratic way and I had the extreme honor of conversing with him for five minutes. He is splendid and has the faculty of making you feel perfectly at ease in his presence. He asked me about France and how things were getting along. He called his visit to St. John and was altogether great. Before leaving we were presented with pictures of Their Majesties; I will send them to you under separate cover.

**Convalescing in Devonshire.**

I am staying at Harford House, Ottery St. Mary, Devonshire, a most delightful place in one of the most charming countries in England, down by the sea on the southwest coast. This estate belongs to Major Morrison Bell, M. P., who was taken prisoner in the early stages of the war and has been held in Germany ever since. His wife is working in a hospital in London and placed her house at the disposal of the Canadian Red Cross to be used for convalescing officers. There are two others here with me, a Mr. Hollister, C.A.S.C., and Hon. Lawson Methuen, son of Lord Methuen, late commander-in-chief of the British forces in South Africa. The house is beautiful, surrounded by noble trees, terraced gardens and all that sort of thing so characteristic of these old estates over here and vividly described in Laura Jean Libbey's novels. The only thing lacking is excitement. It is so quiet and a pin dropping sounds like a mile bomb exploding in a dugout. There is good fishing and shooting. I was out yesterday and shot two rabbits about as big as ordinary field mice.

**Not Expected to Recover.**

Captain Sergeant W. F. McDonald, of the 226th Battalion at Preston, who was taken to the Victoria Hospital some days ago suffering with typhoid fever, was in a critical condition yesterday and no hopes are held out for his recovery. Sergeant McDonald was only recently married to Miss Daisy P. Ramsay, of St. John.

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