

St John NTL
10-6-46

Draught Side

Your wire here telling of
Barby continued Arkface most welcome.
Car got in at 9³⁰ rather cloudy. Hotel room
looks out on steep city hillside narrow bay with
steamers at anchor & hill across. Red wooden
houses. not the picturesque of Europe but
not like America. Meeting + conference all
day & dinner evening - nice people one & all
I started for bed at eleven & had quite rather
nervous I think so. G. gave me some cold
medicine & I piled all covers on & sweat all
night being awake a bit in drenched clothes.
This morning a good bath & I feel fine
no cold & ready to go.

A very nice young Princeton geologist at
lunch a New Brunswick Can. boy who has been
in Labrador.

It's been very interesting. Many times. The Commission
unwin at Paris at Versailles know fine Shetland
etal. Sir W. Beveridge. Sir Colford (Lord also the ~~see~~
Ceylon but didn't know Regis (Cook servant) & we
go the world over. The English civil servant
is interesting. Fellows here in fisheries, geology
forests all young & fine chaps. much sociology
& many experiments. NFL was listed 6 yrs
ago & was taken over by England & is given as
a royal colony with Commissions. Paper in
fisheries near playing (won't eat flounders) not
good to eat they thing or herring. Much
in human relations. Believe in some
queer way we can be useful.

Are going this afternoon to visit a
iron mine that runs far out under the
sea & is on an Island Bell Island if you
look at the map. & tomorrow drive to
Placenta & then take boat 5 yrs ago

Bay to Weymouth + Burin + See
some Fluorspar mines + some South
Coast Fisheries at Grand Banks.

Great old history - Key to Canada
French + English fighting over it. Get
back Tuesday. It is doubly appropriate
to be here now when U.S. is getting
naval + airplane bases.

Pop. 300,000. + would like to
work closely with the U.S. U.S. + Washington
contacts may be useful.

They raise revenue largely by
tariff + sugar $7\frac{1}{2}$ cts a lb (Canadian) 6³/₄ us cts
Several new fruits here one
"bakeapple" makes good jelly.

There is no road across island
you either take train or boats around
it. Paper biggest industry. Some
deterioration from depression + people
hearing U.S. radio talk think they
should have same as U.S. Cod fish
(salch) business to Italy Spain cut off.
Was was a real here feel England making
fundamental advances + that unless
overwhelmed in next few years I think
Germany's progress in Balkans
will be checked by England's
growth of strength in Aegean
Mediterranean + they will
be stopped on the Greek Turkish frontier
irrespective of Russian action

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I feel America's progress on defense
+ closer collaberation with
Br. Empire will be having intangible
effects in encouraging remnants
of conquered nations and
will show more specifically
in next 3 months that democracy
has got what it takes. If Wilee
is elected we shall see a very
statesmanlike approach to world
problems and a comeback
for controlled individualism.
I hope to leave on a basis I can
come back + bring you with me.

It is not a place where living is
cheap tho but where many
are on the subsistence edge.

And now of 1040. Connecticut
et al. Irish one U.N.D. - as usual
you rise to an emergency + I
think sometimes without any
insistent pressure take better stock
of our blessings + have a peace
of mind + do more with less
effort.

WRI
I am sure Barby will continue
progressing & I guess when this will be red
with ~~restlessly~~ ^{restless} thinking of Detroit & Bet of going
with her to Cleveland anyway.

I wonder if they got you & Bet to the
Republican Caucus. I suspect Eddie
James got the nomination for I didn't
see the strength to upset him & I wonder
if it will be Willis Banks beating him
as 2 years ago. It will be hard for the
Ch. of Rep. to vote against a
Caucus nominee but he would think

I wish you could have had an
opportunity to study local people but
I think if you still wish to join the
League this winter it could be fun &
you would contact ~~decease~~ ^{decease} in the
small & decide whether it can be made
to work

Re 1040, if you get it we hope to
rent & talk to one or two real estate
woman we can contact you will
see what is feasible. There is an
ad in the paper weekly (Keyed)
worth playing with & I will
be very glad to push the concentration
of mind that steady residence in
one place gives apart from
financial differences

Consuelo. - I assume any answer to any "Ad" letter you will handle & will manage in any way you see. It is a human research job. I would insist on the letter from the Maine lady being found as it is at W.B. or 1040 in the office & offers another outlet. Bassett can help put pressure on Consuelo for we showed only pay her for day work. It takes a hard boiled individual to deal with her but she will remain a challenge till she wins or dies.

Wash Branch. I hope Sally will dig up & go over with Jeff & yourself the road work. As I told you there is one pre bid for a gravel road between 8's 7' and some additions of Jeff. On a certain grading at a curve or slope you should box exactly for they will overdo it & the other the filling around parking place is exaggerated. I would suggest possibly a couple of loads of screened gravel of uniform size used there.

I am sorry not to go after
the new entrance. but cannot
do it without getting someone
to do it as an Engineering job
& lay it out. The other had quoted
only 200 for it & if it were
done it would save work of
the garden.

If you want to tackle
it or have learn that till
the last do so. but do it with
help of Woods, civil Engineer
Jeff & the Road Supervisor.

It makes a bad visit & considerable
road bank movement would have to
be done also a sign on Weston side
"Slow Hidden Entrance" to warn
traffic. I append the plan
& you could get a bid on it
first from Gifford.

If we do this and then
do a little planting to close
up the old entrance it will
be a step forward on the whole
thing. It could well have a gate
some distance from the road
on the divide & some special
planting. — And now to get
ready for Bell Island

Sunday Aug. - Fog.

Back from Belle Island Sat 4³⁰. A good visit. Island with vertical walls 2 x 4 miles 250 ft high cliffs 150' + only few places to get up. Eg.

Iron deposits in great sheet in sedimentaries running out under the sea. Car went down an incline 2 miles + walked a mile or two besides. wonderful loading in ships from long chutes.

Labrador Close at hand here + under control on each coast of Newfoundland. many stories told of it. Boys still swimming in bay. Horly bazy views fish salted + dried as 300 years ago. Merchants loan fishers money + sell supplies getting paid back once a year. Very analogous to share croppers in the South on the cotton crop. Bus. horses 200 years old.

The letters from you yesterday but wld have to have been mailed Tuesday afternoon.

Letters + wires from office including one from Cleaver who after working out routes rail boat + air for me for a long time suddenly mixes up St Johns New Brunswick + St Johns Newfoundland + gives me delightful information as to train + air mail to "St Johns".

That + the details of all who have lost their parents. My heart has gone out to Ed Hastings. Mark went to Salt Lake with him. His daughter seemed like a very dear girl.

I shall be most glad to get away + home again + ask myself again why I did it. I feel a little like the farmer in my school story "you can have the farm but I thank my God I am not a woman. I shall get back with the rest that comes from change of occupation + ready to get things done + give others some jobs to do. even if not done so well."

I suspect you are at West Branch this morning and the trees are turning + you can a fall feeling in the air. Monday is mounding around as usual. There is so much I'd like to be doing quietly. I don't see much chance to leave before the two weeks here is up. The Lord knows I'd go today happily.

There are + will be times when we can each do something that is worth while apart but I shall have to be shown. You with yr mother + Barb. are doing it now. + my return may show I have but I doubt it. It wd not have been worth to you coming up with myself as crumbled + a place not really interesting but I will know the place + people and again if we want the journey this way will know how to make it.

The two young geologists were Cornet + I'll come + I'll come with them as "Nell Dorr" + "Lushan". Indeed I could have a lot on you. Fame. They are nice people as a whole with the traditions of 200 years in their veins + a core for

their country + pride in it. They are not fond
of Canada + do like the U.S. but are more than
loyal to England. It is a great country that
can feed its sons + daughters with no pressure
and when I think of these poor folk with near
starvation facing them here going over to fight
for their Motherland + ready to die for a
place they have never seen.

I hope very much we can help a bit. What a
lot you + I together can do very dear. + how we can
get happiness in doing it. Thank the Lord that besides
your loveliness of soul + body he gave me one with
the joy of helping in simple ways those that
need + can take it.

I do miss you here so much and I can
see you ready to yarn + do + be.

I looked over the last Times Review + counted
so much severe of the book.

I have a bit of a feeling I may set aside
a month this Fall to be rejuvenated + make it a
month of loafing, resting my mind and absorbing
new things + experiencing leisure at the same
time trusting that other fellows to take over the job.

A recuperation job would be so much more, might
be an inauguration job as well.

As to the story of doing "First things first" + my
first thing is modify my relation to work + life to
fit in with changed conditions. This 930 Blue Sky is coming
then the fog. old S.H. is still asleep + we are leaning
around the Peninsularator + leaning on a picnic
so this must close God bless you, I bless you

My dearest most thoughtful love to you my
own dear one.

I will probably wire or
in touch with it via Jeff. School House. I hope you will keep
Ramsey, Gopp. + Raymond

cut away
this bank
to view depression
of cars
coming

fill
here

big tree
here

Road side

Plenty
room
to come
in gradually

Swamp

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NB
This whole
depression
could be pushed
full of dirt to
advantage from
the bank on roadside
and cut for new
road