

Dr. Raddall

The sea that could get up and roar; that could make you turn and run, afraid to look over your shoulder; that could overtake you in a stride and rattle you and your mates like so many dice in a cup; that could ram your own breath down your throat, that could slap your face hours on end and put the salt taste of death in your mouth, that could freeze you and soak you and beat the stuffing out of you; that could make you curse the day you ever saw more water than a good morning's dew on the grass.

- Thomas Raddall

To the memory of my Mother

Elsie Rogers Butler Simpson

The love of whose own Mother and Father for each other
shines so warmly through these pages

-- R.A.S.

(Photo and signature of Elsie R. Butler here)

Elsie R. Butler
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March 2, 1989

Dr. Thomas H. Raddall,
Liverpool, N.S.

Dear Dr. Raddall,

I am preparing, for possible publication, a manuscript entitled If We Are Spared To Each Other: Love and Faith Against the Sea.

The contents include the diary of a Yarmouth sea-captain's bride during a honeymoon voyage with her husband to South America in 1871; letters from the captain to his wife when he was on his next ten voyages, from 1872 to 1876, when he was lost at sea with all his crew; and also an account of his experience as captain of three Yarmouth vessels in the North and South Atlantic trade between 1865 and 1871, before his marriage.

After the title page and the dedication page, I should like very much to include as a fore-piece the enclosed extract from your writings. It would set the scene and the mood admirably. May I have your permission to use it?

As I came across the extract in a book where credits are not given, I do not know its source,

nor the publisher. This is unfortunate. Can you, by chance, from your memory, help me on these two points?? I have often wondered whether an author who has written as much as you have can pinpoint passages from his writing!

With respect and admiration — and a sense of anticipation,

Yours sincerely,

Raymond Simpson

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March 10, 1989

Mr. Raymond Simpson,
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112 Purcell's Cove Road,

Halifax, N.S. ^B B3P 1B4

Dear Mr. Simpson:

The quotation you wish to use is taken from
the foreword I wrote for W.R. Mac^SNeill's book of marine photos
entitled LURE OF THE SEA and published in 1951.

You have my permission to include the quotation
in the prospective book you have described.

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Raddall