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SHOTWICK,

QUEEN'S FERRY,

Sept 27. 1918. CHESTER.

My Darling Jeffie. —

Your little

girl before you read a bit
further prepare yourself for
a raking over the coals.

Just so you'll know what
it is all about I'll tell
you to start with. In your
14 page letter written on
Sept 6/1918. Just what time
I can't say but at any rate

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it was evening & to quote your
own words "It's raining something
fierce & blowing a couple of
gales." Now perhaps you'll be
able to remember the letter
O.K.

Now Jessi, you said you
were glad I had met those
two girls from Liverpool but
from the tone of your letter
I honestly don't know whether
you are or not. You also seem
to think I was just kidding
you when I said the girls were

struck on your snaps. Now,
 why would I tell you that
 if it was not really so? You
 know Giliu, one can't help
 meeting people, but this I
 tell you straight. No girl on
 this side of the water can
 say truthfully that within
 a very short time from when
 we first met she did not
 know that I was engaged
 & that I was not the
 kind who would put the
 fact behind them when

out with a ⁴girl on this side
of the water. After learning
these facts, if any girl I meet
wishes to continue the
acquaintance well & good.
With me it doesn't matter
a damn.

Darling, believe me when I
say that those girls in L'pool
are merely friends, nothing more.
If on our forthcoming holiday
I go to L'pool it is only courtesy,
on my part to ask one of
them to go to a theatre. I



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can't see even a little bit
of hair in that's I know
you will say the same too
dear. Bess & Peg are rather
nice looking but oh little
Gul don't for Heavens sake
say you do not trust me.
I'll cut out every friend I've
made on this side rather
than that you should
say that.

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You asked me about that
promise we made to each
other when we first became
engaged Jeffie. Surely you
know me well enough dear
to realize that I could
not ask you to make that
promise without also making
it myself. Tell me truly
Jeffie, what have I said or
done that should make
you doubtful? You don't
for an instant think that

a change in uniform has
made me think differently
do you Darling?

You asked another question
but how in heavens name I
am going to answer it is
more than I can say. Darling

"I love you with all my heart
& soul," how then would it
be possible for me to think
those girls in a fool are
prettier or nicer than my
Jessie. Don't worry sweetheart
you'll never have to try any

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beauty courses to keep in
my "Good Graces" as you call
it. You are there now for ever &
ever & simply can't get out.
Last but not least. You have
my word for it Jeffie that there
was another letter written
between those two you received.

I can't of course prove it
but there is my word for it
anyway.

Now, after all this I'll
start & write.

You asked another almost
impossible question Little



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Gul, though in a different
way this time. "What do
I want for X.M.A.S." Well
apart from the fact that I
want you I can't think of
anything much. You know
it's not the gift, but the
thought back of it that counts
with me dear. However, to
keep on good terms with you
I suppose I'll have to say
something so here goes.

- 1. Gloves.
- 2. Sweater.
- 3. Socks or shirt.

That's all I know of in the clothing line.

Now here is another but I want you to think it over first dear.

I smashed my wrist watch as flat as a penny when I had that accident with the bike

& my old one that I left with Mrs Moore is beyond repair. At present I am getting along quite well without one. Am almost afraid to tell you this as I know you'll think that

is what I want most on this
list. However I think you'd
take it as I mean it only as
a suggestion. How dear if you
to decide anything in that line
I don't want you to go to the
expense yourself. Mother & the
others may want to send something
& you might club together. You
know what sort is best fitted
for service over here. Please,
Lilce, if you have thought of
something else before this
reaches you, don't change your
mind. You know that

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anything from you will suite
me no matter what it is. I
don't want you to go spending
your money ~~one~~ one & have to
give up something for yourself.
If it wasn't that I know you
want to send something, all
I'd ask would be for a 20 page
letter to arrive X.M.A.S. day.

I'd be just as happy & you
know it. Wish to heaven I
could think of something
original to send you, kiddie.
It's been bothering me for
some time. I've felt mean about



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your birthday ever since the date, but still I know you understand.

The snaps arrived O.K. They are not quite as good as some of those I have but still they are of you. That's the main thing.

Regarding parcels.

For a month from the date you receive this, it will be safe to send them

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to my address here. Same with
letter. After that send mail
to Mrs Moore again & I'll
let you know about parcels.

By the way, here is another
point I forgot to mention in
that letter of yours. You finished
the one written a few days before
this with "Yours forever". This
one you say "Yours for as long
as you want me". Stick to
the "Forever" in future please
Little Gus.

Yes Kelly surely must
be some boy know a bright

Some father a bright ha! ha
I nearly died when I read that
about the "gorilla".

Had a letter from Mrs Brown
today with one from Winnie
enclosed. Was surely glad to
hear that everything is O.K.
with her, Winnie I mean.

Mr. Bale had just said
good bye to them all when
she Mrs Browne wrote & had
then become unconscious, so
I guess his troubles are nearly
over. How to write a letter
in reply so more than I can

say.

There is nothing to tell you from around here. Weather is still rotten & no flying.

Newton has been out on his bike all evening. He has a friend in a little village near here and imagine that is the attraction.

It is pretty late now sweetheart so guess I'll get to bed & answer the rest of your letter next trip.

Say me to all the folks
Bye Bye for now Darling
Your own boy always.
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*what do you think about
of it?*

Character from Handwriting

Lt. R. G. Roome.

The most striking thing in this writing is a stubborn will, inflexible in its determination & with powerful feelings to uphold or propel it.

The writer will never, of himself, give up or give in to anything that combats him. There is hardly a limit to his power of active endurance in a matter that he has himself chosen, or consented to: there is latent strength & power in his character, with grit, a rigid self-control, undeviating pluck & courage "to the death."

Yet this strong spirit is tempered by an underlying prudence & a practical sagacity which is foreseeing, &, while going straight for its aim, can manoeuvre in its procedure, with both mind & muscle, the mental energy balancing the physical.

He is thoughtful, logical in his deductions, but not quite analytic enough for his judgments to be always correct.

He is particular over details, has a good

memory for rules, regulations & minutia.

His "gravity" instinct is almost perfect; so matters of weight, balance, pressure, &c. come easy to him. Also he has a marksman's eye.

The writer shows an instinctive ambition, but is not extravagant in his ideas concerning it. He also has some instinctive egotism; yet, in planning his motives are altruistic or, at least, spring from his "clannish" attachments.

He will stand up for any "set" of which he is a member, & probably for any member of it. He is loyal in his institutions; reliable in his undertakings & conscientious in duty.

He works with continuity of purpose & effort, tho. resisting arbitrary interference & compulsion. He desires to gain approval, shows a sensitive pride & temper, & has a little conceit. But he has not an over-estimate of his own worth, neither is he assertive over others. Next to his will, his feelings

are the strongest trait in the writing. The writer is governed by them, & through them he can be influenced. They are emotional, hypersensitive at times, & so susceptible that all externals affect them more or less. He has times of depression, & his brain gets out of order.

Socially he does not accommodate, - of himself - but is easy to get on with. He can talk fluently, with full verbal expression, & has a sense of humour, though not much given to mirth. He is reserved with personal matters, & can keep a secret.

His affections are warm & sympathetic. He is capable of tender devotion in love, will be demonstrative & expect a like return, & he could be jealous. He fosters & protects what ever has his regard, & he will make a good father.

Sept. 13th/18
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