4734 Aukai Avenue Honolulu 28, T. H. December 30, 1944

Mr. Thomas H. Raddall Liverpool, Nova Scotia Canada

Dear Mr. Radall:

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I have within the past year read your "HIS MAJESTIES' YANKEES" and had no small amount of pleasure in doing so. I have passed it along to friends of mine on other islands of this group, all, of course, Nova Scotia.

I was born in Shelburne, Nova Scotia in November 28, 1875, so you can well see I did not come off the last Christmas tree. If you have lived in Liverpool, as the Shelburne Gazette says you have for many years, you may possibly have heard of the Irwin family and then again you may not have.

I have been in Hawaii for upwards of forty years and have always taken the Shelburne Gazette and the copy I gleaned my information about you is before me on my desk, but to get down to what I wanted to say: Where could one get some authentic history of Shelburne Town and its early settlement? Rumor has it that at one time it hadapopulation of 12,000 persons, mostly United Empire Loyalists.

If there is anything authentic written of this period of this old town, I would as a matter of natural curiosity like to get a copy of such history if such a record exists and could be purchased on the book markets of the United States of America or Canāda. Life goes along here in Honolulu much more pleasantly than a few short months ago. We now have lights all night and the fear that "our little brown brothers" might drop a few bombs on us has gone and with good prospects of not returning.

If you get this note just disregard it if it is going to be any bother or worry to you.

Wishing you the complements of the Season, I am

Yours very truly

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