



12<sup>th</sup> May 1918

Dear Dave

Your welcome letter of the 24<sup>th</sup> arrived all safe, and I am pleased to learn that the lads out here are so often in your mind, because in a great many cases, it is out of sight out of mind, although I do not mean to say so in your case.

In the first place, I am sorry for saying that I did not know who Peter Galloway was, but really at the time I wrote you, I could not recollect who you meant, but whenever I saw his photo in the Journal, it struck me that I had just been a bit hasty in writing. I am sorry to hear of his death. I suppose, he has been out for a long time.

I also noticed Willie Hunt's photo in the Journal, and I can remember little quite well. By the list in the Journal every week)

week I can see the old town is suffering some in this big affair

I might also tell you, that I met Johnny Nicol of Loches the other night. He knew me right away, but for the life of me, I could not place him until he told me his name. He is to write and let his sister Liz know he met me, so if she is in any doubt of who I am, you can enlighten her. Johnny had been out for about a fortnight when I met him, and he thinks he knows all about it, but I hae ma doots about that. He is in a nice soft lot, as he is attached to the Anti-Aircraft so he ought to be cushy.

By the way, have you heard anything of Jock Miller lately? I wrote him some time ago, but up to the present, I have not had an answer and I am beginning to think something has happened, as I fancy he was in this big thing. I told you about Geo  
Pugh)

Paul, and I suppose, he will have been home by this time on sick leave, because he told me, he was being moved to a convalescent camp, and they usually get their leave from these places.

My word, you must have lost some sleep over all your schemes in connection with that Land business, but I must say you have done wonderfully well in raising such a sum. It is certainly for a good cause, and I am at one with you, when you hope to beat your record in the coming year.

Yes, I am getting the Sunday Chronicle alright, and I thank you for sending same. I fancied it was Blatchford's article that you meant me to read, and I can see I was not wrong in my surmise. I also notice that there has been notes from Dundee in the last three issues of the Gazette, so I can see that the new officials are meaning business.



I am blessed to say that I am still in the best of health and always going on in the right way. Things are fairly ~~quite~~ quiet here at present but one never knows how long that might last.

I hope this finds you still in the best of health and always going strong. You can give my regards to all the boys and accept same for yourself.

From

Yours sincerely,

John Edward