

Castle Line

R.M.S. "Doune Castle"

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My Dear Lily

Just a line to let you know that we have crossed the Bay of Biscay alright. We had a very rough twenty-four hours of it. Nearly everyone was seasick, but some were much worse than others. I was not so bad myself.

I have quite settled down now and am getting quite used to rough to bad weather. I got very wet yesterday the sea was washing all over her decks. She's a splendid boat. She rides the waves like a duck. We have a splendid food on board, chops and porridge for breakfast, three courses for dinner and four for tea. It seems funny: have nothing to see but water on every side. Sometimes we see ships passing in the distance. We have to get all our letters ready by tomorrow so that they will be ready by when we call at a coaling station which will be on Friday or Saturday.

We have a grand time of it on board, plenty of singing now that nearly all the fellows have got all right after their sea sickness. We have a cat that we are taking out with us. There are about 700 volunteers on board and last time she went out she had thirteen hundred regular soldiers on board. We had some tobacco given us by the Colonel. We all sleep in hammocks they are very comfortable, they swing with the motion of the ship. I saw a lot of fishes. They were something like seals only they were a kind of a yellowish colour.

I have nothing more to say just now but be sure to write to me. Have you had my photo yet? If you have not, write home for it as they have had them. I have nothing more to say just now. But I must conclude all with love and kisses.

I am your loving Brother,

Norman.

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