L/Sto M Varrin

15 Prince Street, Dartmouth, NS

10th Dec 1943

Dear "Sister, husband and kids"

Received your letter after it had travelled a few hundred extra miles ha ha. I'm back at Halifax again. I came back from Sydney about a month ago. They drafted me ashore again as I volunteered to go to the United Kingdom to man some of their ships. I sure wish now that I hadn't volunteered because I think I'd be a married man if I hadn't ha ha.

I don't think I have time to get married now as I'm on twenty-four hours notice.

I guess I'll be having a grim Christmas this year. I'd sure like to be here in Dartmouth for Christmas. That's where I was last Christmas and boy it is just like home. I had my Christmas dinner last Sunday. I had all the trimmings too. They are sure swell to me here.

How is everything going? Is Bruce still playing hooky? Boy I didn't even start that young. Ha ha. He's learning awfully fast. How is Pat and Joannie doing? I guess they are sure growing eh.

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... Navy and he's supposed to belong to the Sick Bay branch and he's always sick ha ha.

Well folks I guess I had better sign off for now as it is nearly dinner time (Incidentally I just got up ha ha)

So long for now

Your Brother "Murray"

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They'll find me wherever I go (I hope)