

Letters from Max Rowsell to cousin Reginald Rowsell, 1929

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[R.N. Rowsell was at the time living in Englee.]

[Letter Aug 9, 1929]

Leading Ticks

Dear Cousin,

I know it is time for me to answer your kind and welcome letter that I received a while ago. Glad to hear from you and to know that you like your mission. I know you are busy when you have to make so many calls. Well, Reggie, we are having it rough here last week as it have been blowing and sea all the time. But it is a little better today. Dora & Kenneth is gone down to Church. You know there is not much prayer here, only C of E. Father hold service some times when anyone come in the afternoon, but there is not many comes. I spose we'll soon have the minister here to see us again.

I spose you can here [hear] from home often. We had a letter from Mamie last week. She wants me to come over. I would like to go only I got to use crutches and thats a hard way to travel. You know I would like to go over to see all the friends as we don't seem to have any friends here. I mean, like cousins & etc. Ernee ? is gone in to Grand Falls for a month to her Aunts to keep house for her while she is gone home to King's Point. She says she don't like Grand Falls. Dora is home now. I don't know where she is going this winter yet. We don't know where we will be going for the winter yet. We would go down on Culls Isld if we had a house down there. I don't know whether we will launch small house down or now yet. You know father don't want to leave the Isld to go to Corner Brook. You know it wonderfully lonely with only one family on the Island in the winter time. Well, I spose you have seen Stanley Haggett down there. I spose there [they?] will soon be home. Henry Haggett is goine to St Johns to college. I spose they will have a great time there on the fifteenth.

[Unsigned. Ends abruptly]

[Letter Sep 23, 1929]

Leading Ticks

Dear Cousen,

I wrote a letter for to send by the last Prospero but missed her so I thought I would write a few mores lines. Well Reggie, how you getting along. Very busy, I know. Well, we are all ok. We were up to Chumble Tickle [?] to Barracks. They got a new chaplain up there. They are a happy crowd. How do you like it down there. Is it a very hard mission. Write and tell me all the knews [sic]. But you must excuse my wrighting [sic] and mistakes. I spose you have heard that Mamie lost her little boy. I know they must find it hard. How is your mother now. Mamie said she wasn't very well. Mamie want me to go over. I would like to go only its [hard] travelling on the steamer [?] when I got to use crutches. But I would like to see them all as there is so many friends over there. Well, I think I have told you all the knews so good bye from your loving cousin,
Max Rowsell.

[Letter Dec 2, 1951]

Leading Ticks

Rev. R.N. Rowsell
Brigus, Nfld

Dear Reginal

Just a few words in answer to your letter received last week
glad to hear from you and to thank you for help to get mre help.

I spose I work to much if I was like some people and join the 5 five W. I would
get more. But they don't think of the three talents for if I had a help I would not
need any help.

I know I have earned some this year if i didn't we would not live very good as
we got to pay olive for keeping house for us and buy our wood, and pay to get it
home while some people near us they get \$90.00 ninety dollars to buy their wood and
the same person earned as much or more than I did this summer but he would be sick
when the welfare officer came. So that only an example of how things are done.

I don't mind work but the Dr told me I had high Blood pressure for my age and
not to work to hard. BUT I don't stop much from making window sashes, storm
windows, sometimes stove pipes and flanges.

Tin work is the best job if I had a little fit out to make a better job.

[??] well that enough of that so how are you and family well I hope. We are all
very good only Olive is not well. Her eyes trouble her a lot as she need to have
her glasses changed. Father is well but he find the cold but he got most all the
wood for the house.

Ken and family are well. He is building a house for Harry Fowlan [?] he'll soon
have it done finished.

We soon have Xmas I hope you will have a Happy Xmas & New Years.

We haven't got any snaps yet.

Well I must close. I remain your

M.G. Rowsell
