



Luddan Camp
Buncrana.
9th Sept 16

Dear Rosie,

you must be
tired waiting for me to
answer your last welcome
letter which I got safe.

But you see I have been
inoculated on my right arm
and that left it useless
for a few days but it is
getting all right now.

It is too bad that daddy
will not allow you to get
the comic. Perhaps if you
told him I could get one
which you would get one

Fridays (~~like~~ like the pension) he would not say anything. You would have plenty time to read it on Sat. and Sun. and also do your lessons. You can ask him anyhow.

I have not got word from Gaddy or Tom's Callatin yet, but I am waiting for their letters every day. Did you hear any news about Davie Barr yet if he is badly hurt or where is he at present? Let me know in next letter.

Tell Joe I was glad to hear he is well and going to school. He will be a good singer yet. Tell Bevan and Alice I was asking for them. I hope Alice will soon be walking as she would be less trouble.

I will be getting leave in a month at the latest and will send you word when I am sure.

We are having a big day here on next Thursday in aid of blind soldiers and sailors. As the two bands of our regiments and the two of the Inniskellings are to be here I expect to see a lot of the boys I knew in Derry. I will write to tell you about it when it comes off.

I have no more news this time so I will wind up hoping you will remember me to all and write soon again.

Excuse the scribble as my arm is a bit stiff still. I remain
your loving B.F.
Jim.

Rosie

I had a letter from Dannie
and he says Shanwalla is
a regular Verdun this
weather with the Rodgers
and the Shanwalla people
at law about hay or some
thing. Hot times. no doubt

Jew



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There are twenty of us in a Squad here and we are ready to fire at any time.

We are doing no drill now but bomb-throwing, shooting, wearing gas-helmets (rotton things) ~~and~~ at night making attacks, and digging trenches, and having small walks of about 20 miles in full packs, and having a ~~lot~~ lively time generally. We like it all except the gas helmets which are the worst of the lot on account of the rotton chemicals and bad smells together with the choking it gives a person.

But we expect that a week or so will finish us with it when we will be on the lookout for our week's leave.

I had a letter from Dan and he says that Tilly and the children are over there now and Dony is expected for a week soon,

As I have no more to say at present I will ask to ~~be~~ be remembered to all the folks at home especially Mr. Joe.

I hope Daddy will find
time to write us a note
soon surely he is not
so busy as all that.

I hope you will try ^{to} ~~me~~
get him to write when you
get this note. Good-bye
for the present and be
sure to write soon.

I remains
your loving brother
Jim.

Miss Rose Sobety.

Please forgive the pencil
scraps as pen and ink are
scarse things here.

Jim.

We had a good day on Thursday but
as it was the reports heard of the
Dunkirkings which came & knew
none of them. All the boys I knew
were in the Lower band.

John.