

Same address,

23/10/17.

Dear North,

I felt that I must scribble you a few lines to express my pleasure at your safe arrival in "Brighton" which I have just been informed of by Gt. Jarvis.

Well you are a real lucky fellow North & I must say that you certainly deserve a rest after the way in which you have worked whilst with me & I am very sorry to have lost you I can assure you.

I am very much afraid I shall not get another driver whom I shall be able to trust as I did you & believe me. I miss you quite as much as any of the "Boys"

Well I am afraid there is not much news left for me to tell you as I see 2 of the Boys have written you & I dare say they have told you everything.

No doubt you are very pleased to hear of Cpl. Jarvis getting the M.M. I put you in for it as well but I am sorry to see you have not got it, why, I don't know, as your work was quite as hard as any of them, if not, more so.

I was very glad when I heard that Brown had turned up all right, also Smith. I am very sorry to have lost them too; but still if they get to Depot I may have a good chance of getting them back, I am afraid there is no chance of getting you back though; if you do, by any chance, get back to this land let us have word & I will do my best for you old chap.

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We are expecting to go down
to the seaside in about a
fortnight & then we shall be
right away from the war for
some time I hope.

Well I must dry up now
North wishing you the very best
of luck & success in the future
if we don't meet again.

Trusting you will accept my
very heartiest thanks for your
excellent work & conduct whilst
in '58.

Yrs. very sincerely,
V. Foxwell H.

P.S. I should like to have a
line from you if you have
an odd moment to spare.

Hope your wounds are healing
up alright & trust you are
having a good time. V.S.