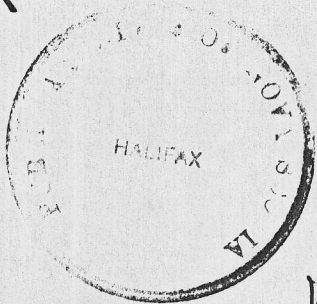


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Mr. Reginald V. Harris,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Harris:

Mr. Hedden called me to the Island last week and on leaving he told me to send my expense bill to you, which I now do. Was sorry you were not at home when I passed through the city. Had a few hours on the way back and would have enjoyed seeing you.

Conditions, I would say are very favorable at the Island. They came to some timbering at 100 feet, passing through their pit in the form of a circle, and Mr. Hedden did not understand it.

It had the appearance of a tunnel with the outer and roof timbers, but none on the inner circumference. That was the condition when they called me.

I happened to know of the tunnel (it was put there by Fraser in the early sixties) and suggested that the inner timbers had gone down further in the soft ground. These were uncovered while I was there, and they had commenced to take out the higher ones before I left.

With good luck they should be down 110 ft by this time. The tunnel is evidence that they are very close to the original pit site. I would say that its center is between the Chappell and the present shaft.

If all goes well I would look for interesting developments from 120 to 130 feet. It might not be treasure, but there may be some evidence of something other than searchers work. Let us hope so.

I notice by the papers that you are open to congratulations in having been elected to another high and honorable office. It is certainly an exceptional honor worthily attained and you have my sincere congratulations.

Yours very truly,