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K.W. MAURER

Duckett Club, Douglas, Co. H.

SENDER'S NAME:—



Miss I. Abramo

8A, Wellington Street

Teignmouth

Devon.

EXAMINER 7054

Ouchan Camp, Douglas

8th March 1941.

Dear Miss Libranovic,

I want to tell you that I received your latest messages & to thank you for all kindness shown by them. As you see from above I have a new address; our whole camp was transferred here some little time ago & we are still trying to settle down in our new surroundings to which we are not yet quite accustomed. It was fortunate that our house was transferred to an older house here which meant that the people remained together & were not separated & dispersed among different houses here. Naturally we still miss our former camp & it is strange to see how much poorer habit has one man. The influx of so many people must have been hard on those who were established here for a number of months now, at the same time they have been a most kind & helpful to us. I am carrying on with most of my old jobs & I find that my time is best to be fully occupied; the time passes more quickly that way & to be able to do something & to be of some little use is at least a source for some satisfaction. I am a little disappointed that I have to put it with so much delay in my case but perhaps it will be dealt with some day; it is good that I have learned to be patient in life, it helps me considerably & to see so many impatient people round me makes me in itself more patient. - Our greatest surprise & discovery here is that of a well run canteen, it is indeed a real canteen that we have not had before & for which we are profoundly grateful. - You were good enough to suggest a visit but I must ask you not to consider it yet; it is altogether a too complicated business & never work the trouble it involves & apart from that it is entirely against my feelings. I do hope you are well, safe & cheerful & enjoy your work. It is a very cold & unfriendly day but I send you my warmest feelings & wishes I must stop now.

Yours

L. W. Brown.