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Co. Limerick

30/12/38

Dear Tom,

I hope you got my telegram which explained why I am unable to leave the country in time to attend the Committee meeting.

As a matter of fact

I have now been in bed since Christmas evening with this cursed ‘flu so that my holiday is completely spoilt.

I’m sure I caused annoyance by my not turning up on Friday last to sign the letters convening the meeting tonight but it slipped my mind in the rush & having to get away.

I expect I shall

be over in less than a week if I take enough hot whiskey in the meantime.

Regards

Barry Walsh