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Dear Father & Mother

I received your last letter which I was satisfied to hear that ye are all enjoying good health as I am at present. I am proud that I can have a happy Xmas when God spared my mother to be beside ye on Xmas night. If it had been otherwise, I could not enjoy myself. You will find enclosed here the small sum of two pounds for ye to enjoy yourselves & drink my health on Christmas night for I intend to do the same, please God. Also I am sending you two of my photos which I promised. They will be strange to you on account of the way I am dressed. You need not be uneasy about me for I take good care of myself. I mean to let you know Dan McHugh is here now. He is learning the plumbing trade. They are all well.

I suppose you will have a letter from Patt & John by this time. I have not heard from them yet.

I hope Brother Michael you will let me know all particulars about home the next time. I presume all the Drim girls are married now, also Charles & Mick Bourke.

I have not any news to interest you at present. I am also writing to Sister Honour. Remember me to all my well-wishers. I hope all my aunts, cousins & neighbours will enjoy a happy & a merry Xmas. As I have not any more to say I must conclude in sending my fond love to ye all.

From your affectionate son,

Thomas McHugh

Goodbye. I wish ye all a happy & a merry Xmas. Don't forget Michael that you will make Father, Mother  
\_\_\_\_ Bridget drink a good \_\_\_\_

Write soon.