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U.S.S. BRANT

February 23, 1942.

The Ranger Stationed at Great St. Lawrence.

Dear Mr. Fitzpatrick:

There is an expectancy that, from time to time, some bodies, resulting from the recent tragedy, will be washed ashore in the vicinity or otherwise recovered.

It is requested that, in these circumstances, the bodies be buried at the scene or at St. Lawrence as appropriate. Father Thorne has kindly set aside a plot for the bodies of ship-wrecked mariners and the Reverend Clench has also kindly offered space for burial in the Church of England Cemetery. Father Thorne has further volunteered to complete arrangements for burial.

I am further requesting you to kindly notify the Commandant, United States Naval Operating Base, Argentia, Newfoundland, by letter, of any and all burials with the date and place of internment.

Thanking you for your good services in this matter as well as your generous and efficient services rendered in the past, I am,

Respectfully yours,

LAMAR M. WISE,

Lieutenant Commander, U. S. Navy,  
Commanding U.S.S. BRANT.

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Father Thorne, St. Lawrence, Nfld.  
Rev. Clench, St. Lawrence, Nfld.  
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