

Tod Inlet  
B.C.  
Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> 1922

Mrs. R. P. Butchart.  
Dearest Friend,

In reply to your letter of the 8<sup>th</sup> inst. just received by me, am sending you the required measurements and hope you will receive them in time, also enclosed within you will find a sketch of same.

The width of the verandah from the wall to the outside is 9 feet 8 inches.

The width of the dining room from the curtains across the door to the living room to the wall is 19 feet.

The seed cultivator is safe in the room where Jack keeps the dahlias, it was brought in before the bad weather set in.

You see I mention "bad weather" well, at present we are getting a real winter, at first it snowed 14 inches, then thawed a little and started to freeze and has been doing so for the past week with an occasional snow storm, the Inlet is frozen over as usual, but not the little bay where you put your boat house is. I just got the speed boat out of the water in time.

The boys in the house have kept the rooves all clear of snow on the house, so when it begins to thaw the water will not leak through the shingles.

The organ is well looked after. Wing keeps the temperature at 65° - 68° being necessary, I have not had time to go over the tracker board yet, but will do so before you return. I had my usual midnight performance, scraping snow from the roof of the boat house and managed to keep it out of danger.

I have installed part of the "airdry" in the outside rest room and Joe is putting on the tile it looks fine.

The heating system is going along very satisfactory.

There is nothing startling happened in Victoria since you left only the election which I am sending you a cut.

Well Mr. + Mrs. Butchart the year 1922 has been the luckiest year of my life, I met and married one of the nicest women in the country and now she has presented me with a beautiful little daughter, she was born on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December, just imagine how proud I feel, they are both doing fine and I thank you with all my heart, the kindness you did for

me before you left which will enable me to give them the required comforts and necessities during such a time.

I hope your trip will be a pleasant one and a safe return, but be sure and don't come home until I get the heating system finished.

Yours Sincerely,

F. Chubb

Merry Christmas  
from all at home.