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Letters From The Boys In Khaki

France, Feb. 25.

The following letter has been received by Mr. Jos. Clinton of town from his nephew, Stanley Gamey, who is with the transportat on service in France:

To-night, by the way, is a grand night for writing and a poor night for anything else—it is just such a night as is often seen at home after a January thaw—fairly cold, almost freezing I should say, and snowing like mad. In fact there has been snow on the ground now for three days, and the mud—that word mud should be written in capitals—is frozen hard enough to carry you—almost. That, in itself, is a blessing, for the mud around our own particular little billet defies description. To use a good, decent Canadian expression, it's a corker. However, I don't want you to conclude that we are necessarily uncomfortable on that account. On the contrary I believe we are much better off here than we were last fall at Otterpool. In the first place, our horse lines have been bricked with brick from buildings which old Fritzie has destroyed, so that they are at least on firm footing and up out of the mud and that is surely one big improvement. The most important thing, though, is that instead of being in tents we are in huts, of our own construction, and rather ramshackle affairs, of cou se, but still a great deal better than the tents. El. and I have a regular little den. It is perhaps seven feet square and high enough to stand up in. We have two narrow bunks on one side, one above the other, made of oat sacks stretched between poles, which makes a very fair bed indeed, although they are inclined to sag in the centre like a hammock. We have also a tiny table made from an old box, and lastly, and most important of all, a fireplace constructed of stray bricks with mud for mortar, hoop iron and a length of concrete tiling. I don't mind admitting that it takes considerable of—we'll call it strategy—to keep a stock of fuel on hand, but it is really worth taking a chance of being up before the Supreme Court on a grand larceny charge for the supreme comfort we get out of it. It is the most cheerful thing we have experienced since we joined the army eleven months ago. The roof and sides are not sheeted according to regular specifications, as suitable material is rather hard to get. However, a weird collection of horse rugs, blankets, oat sacks and rubber sheets makes a fairly weatherproof covering, and when all is said and done what more could one desire? Our battery position, naturally, is considerably in advance of us, but we are quite close enough—old Fritz has a trick of popping shells over our heads and shelling certain outfits in our rear, and I am reasonably satisfied right now that I never will get used to those little tokens whistling over my head. Occasionally a few drop rather too close. I suppose their gunners get rather careless at times, and I have left several wonderfully life-like casts of my features in the mud on those occasions. I don't want to appear boastful, but I will say this, that I am quite confident that I am one of the best duckers in France to-day. However, that is neither here nor there.

One of the most spectacular things out here is the aerial war. Every clear day, wind or no wind, the planes are up They are truly the eyes of the army. It is really thrilling to see them being shelled by the "anti" guns. The shells burst all around them in rapid succession, each shell being indicated by a puff of smoke, and it is intensely interesting to watch. Each shell is either cheered or groaned at, according to whether it is a good shot or a poor, and whether it is an enemy plane or a friendly one. Sometimes, indeed, it becomes almost too interesting, such times being when the shells are bursting almost directly overhead and the splinters are whistling rather too close to be comfortable, or when, as occasionally occurs, a German machine lets fall a few bombs at some suspicious looking place.

Do you know, it is hard, in a way, to realize that one of the most terrible conflicts of all times is raging here. The country really looks very peaceful. The villagers remain in their homes and the farmers still carry on the cultivation of their land. Poor beggars! I guess they have no place to go and no money to take them, or they would clear out fast enough. But against the quiet appearance of the country, and to give the lie direct to it, is the continual roar of the guns—sometimes few—sometimes many—but always some; the crackle of rifle fire bursting out occasionally into a steady rattle, the vicious reports of the machine guns and at night the everlasting star shells. It's war all right, and war of a kind General Sherman never dreamed of when he coined his famous definition of it. And yet, I sometimes stick my head out the door at night and watch the flashes of the guns and the flare of the star shells, and I feel like saying, "well I guess I'll drop into the grand stand to-morrow night, the fireworks seem to be pretty good." It reminds me of nights when I have watched and listened to the fireworks at the Exhibtion from Rogers' doorstep on Crawford St. Good old Exhibition, I would if I'll see it this year or next. Somehow I have a hunch I'll be home for Christmas, but hunches don't work out just right, and I am not betting too much on this one. Still, I have ten francs ($2 00) up that the war is over by July 31, five at even and five I got 2 to 1 for, and I've a fair chance of making fifteen francs without working for it.

Mrs. Jacob Parliament of the 8th line has received the following note from Chaplain G. A. Studdert Kennedy of the forces in France:

My Dear Mrs. Parliament,--I saw your son, Carl, and had a talk with him. He thought it might comfort you to hear that I had seen him, and could assure you that he was well and in good spirits. He asked me to tell you not to fret over him, he is in good health. It is a hard time for mothers and wives but you will be proud of your men as I am. God bless you and support you in your anxiety.

Your sincere friend,
G. A. Studdert Kennedy.

The Lie Nailed

It is not long since the yarn was going around that Red Cross supplies sent to the soldiers were charged up to them and that they had to pay for socks, etc.. The Advance denied this at the time but at the same time applied directly to the front for confirmation of the denial. We have a communication from Lieut. A. M. Thurston, on active service in Flanders, in which he makes the following definite disposal of the canard referred to:

"You ask about socks. The men are issued them by the army baths and they are washed and exchanged by the baths. Then patriotic donations often come in. I have some on hand now, in reserve. I issued a bunch to the men a short time ago and when they need more they can get them by asking. I have never kgown a man to have to buy socks; and if any one says the Red Cross donations are bought by the men I should say they lie—speaking politely. An officer looks after his men's feet, because he has to, also because he wants to keep his men out of the hospital, and feet are the cause of most troubles. And no officer is fool enough to juggle with sock supplies."

Osprey Council

Osprey Council met on March 4, 1916. The members were all present. Minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. Communications, accts., etc., were received, viz: Petition asking for extension of Municipal Telephone System; Herald office, Dundalk, acct., $3.50, printing and acct., $27.00, printing auditors' report; Hospital for Sick Children, appeal for aid; Bell Telephone Co. statement of their lines liable to assessment in Osprey; Municipal World, acct. $2.32; A. L. Smith, asking that the arrears of taxes for 1914-15 be exempted on account of having no road; Robert McKennie, asking that the interest and percentage be struck off the arrears of taxes on S.½ of lot 15, Con. A, for the year 1914.

Orders were issued on the Treasurer to pay Dundalk Herald office $27.00, printing 300 copies of auditors' report, Dundalk Herald, $3.50, printing and advertising; Municipal World $2.32, supplies; Collingwood Hospital $214.00 for maintenance of Fred Leech; Robt. Coutts $127.00 for gravelling on the 40th Side road; John Thompson $7.70, Jos. Henderson $7.00 expenses attending Hydro Electric meeting in Toronto: Malcolm Fletcher $1.50 repairing culvert in 1914; John Thompson $2.00, service regarding acct. of Collingwood Hospital.

The Reeve was instructed to have Fred Leech removed to the House of Refuge, Markdale.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay to the County Treasurer $11.06, arrears of taxes for 1914 on A. L. Smith's farm, lots 31-32, 36-37, Con. 2, S.D.R.

The Clerk was instructed to notify Collingwood township to pay up $31.00, arrears of taxes levied for Telephone system.

The Clerk was instructed to prepare a By-Law for next meeting to provide a bonus to encourage the building of wire fences along the highways.

The arrears of taxes charged against the property of A. L. Smith for the years 1914-1915 was ordered to be exempted.

Bylaw No. 618, appointing pathmasters, pound keepers and fence viewers as follows:

POUND KEEPERS

R Davidson, J McKinnon, W Keton, J Hanron, J Douglas, E Harbottle, R Taylor, W H Guy.

FENCE VIEWERS

H McIntyre, R Morrison, J Hannon, T S Freethy, T Stephens, J Menzie, R Gibson, Wm Buell, J Ross, J Campbell, Geo McDonald, Geo Hawton, Wm Hodgson, H Hardy, R Taylor.

PATHMASTERS

C Jackson, R Grummett, O C Belfer-by, Wm Brown, A Ross, M Tedford, J Earl, E W Norman, J Stewart, C McMillan, Wm Hargrave, Wm Seeley, Wm Jameson, L Moore, Jos Priddle, D Briggs, Geo Wilson, Geo McMaster, J S Winters, H Hardy J J Jameson, Jno Miller, I Hamilton, Wm Jordon, Jos Allison, C Fenwick, N Black, E Hayes, H McInnis, N Scott, Geo McDonald, W J Chard, W H Guy, G W Ross, S McArthur, E C Pedlar, A Sornberger, N McDonald, Wm Betts, F Brackenbury, E Robinson, R.J Colquett, A McLean, J Campbell, I Morrison, R Seeley, S Ottowell, W Poole, E F Hawton, Geo Thomson, S Parks, D Wood, A Johnson, D Roberts, Jno Izard, D Fields, A Hutchinson, Thos Brown, A Stoll J Sayers, Jno Tyson, Jno Tuplin, W McKechnie, A McDermid, Jno Gillies, D Stephens, Jas Lougheed, C A Edwards, A Buie, Wm Service, A Cameron.

Council adjourned to meet at Maxwell on Saturday, May 27, next.

THOS. SCOTT— Clerk

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Peas	1 25 to 1 60
Barley	50 to 53
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Butter	27 to 29
Eggs, fresh	20 to 20
Potatoes per bag	1 00 to 1 25
Geese	13 to 13
Ducks	14 to 14
Fowl	11 to 11
Chickens	13to 13
Turkeys	20to 20

Mortgage Sale

OF HOTEL PROPERTY IN THE VILLAGE of FLESHERTON.

Under and by virtue of the powers of sale contained in a certain mortgage which will be produced at the time and place of sale, there will be offered for sale by public auction on the premises hereinafter mentioned, on

Saturday, the 29th day of Aqril. 1916

at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, the following property, namely:

Lot Number Five on the north-west side of Durham street in the Village of Flesherton, in the County of Grey, according to plan of subdivision of lot 150 in the first range south-west of the Toronto and Sydenham Road in the Township of Artemesia, together with the right, title and interest of the Mortgagors and Mortgagees in the lands lying between Lots numbers Four and Five on the north-west side of Durham street, in the said Village of Flesherton, according to said plan.

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