

"IN OUR MAIL BAG"

Editor Georgetown Herald.

Dear Friend:
Well at last I will try to write you that letter I told you I would write you. There's not much we can write about from here, but I'll try and tell you a little about our trip and what I can about this camp.

We left Petawawa for the East coast on October 3rd at 11 o'clock at night. Well there was nothing to see till daylight. Then we started to see new country, or new to most of us. It is a wonderful piece of scenery from Three Rivers to Halifax. We got off the train for half an hour at Three Rivers for a short march through the town. Then we got off again in Quebec City. That was a real march, up through the city and all through the Old Fort, and back through the city to our train again.

We got on our boat about 8 o'clock Sunday night and just stayed on there till Thursday, Oct. 9th, at 1:30 o'clock. That boat was just like a big house about six storeys high. Only after we left the dock Oct. 9th, it wasn't so much like a house. And two days out, well, it was more like a bucking horse than a house. We dropped anchor at an English port, Oct. 17th, about 11 a.m. and stayed there till Saturday morning at 9 o'clock, then got in to the dock. Say, those docks are something. They are floating docks and they are as big as the main part of Georgetown. Thank goodness they are most all still there yet. We got off the boat at 2 p.m. and right on the train. At 3 p.m. we started on our way. Oh gee, you should see the trains here and the engines! There were two little wee ones that took our train outside the town. That was two baby ones; then up came a bigger one, I guess that was a father engine. But boy, how they can go. You don't any more than feel them start away or stop. It was a nice trip from what I could see of it. We could only see a few places where they have been bombed. It was dark coming through London, so we could see nothing of it at all. It was also dark when we got here to camp. It was 10:15 p.m. the same night that we got here. We had a little over a mile of a march, from the train to get to camp. We had supper and got to bed by 12 midnight. Well, we are getting good meals here. We don't get as much as we did sometimes in North Bay or Petawawa. We are all looking for word of our leave, which we hope to get within the next week or so.

I hope I have not said anything so far in this letter that I should not have said. But now, just before closing, I'll try and tell you a little about this camp. I don't know how big it is or how many men there are here, but it is a big camp and they are using a lot of empty houses. It looks a lot like a town here. All or most all two storey huts, and nearly all brick. Where we sleep there are four big rooms, two up and two down. There are two big washrooms. Then right next to our hut there is a big bath house. Well I must go and eat now. But I'll write more after that. Well that's that. One more good meal. When we go to eat our whole troop marches over. We go in in two lines. The first fellow puts on the meat, the next spuds, the next gravy, then pudding cake or something, then bread and butter. Well, I am not saying how much of each we get, but I don't think we will starve. Oh, yes, I forgot, after bread we get our tea or cocoa. Say, about being clean, I never saw a mess hall or kitchen as clean in my life. The tables and floor are scrubbed white. Well, we haven't started training here yet, but I guess we soon will. So far all they are doing is making us smarten up—shine our brass every day and boots twice a day, always have a crease in our pants, and shave every morning. But



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outside this place looks more like our part of old Ontario, with all the bush and big trees like we have at home.

About the blackout. Gee, I don't go far from home at night, for you can hardly see a light and everything looks alike. There is a little place about a mile up the street from here, but you can't see anything there after 7 o'clock or so. I understand I am about one hour's bus ride from the Lorne Scots. I think I'll try and get out to see them on Sunday if I can.

Well, I guess I'll have to close for this time. Thanking you for sending me the paper and wishing you and your staff the best of luck and good wishes in the years to come, I remain as ever
(Gnr) ALBERT E. COLMAN

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Active Service Notes

ACI Dick Beaumont left last week for Vancouver, B.C., where he is stationed with the R.C.A.F. Dick, who was formerly on the Bank of Commerce staff in Georgetown and later in New Hamburg, made good results in his course at Mountain View, passing second in a class of twenty.

Pte. C. E. Stapleton is a new recruit from this district now wearing the King's uniform. He is stationed at No. 10 B.T.C., Knollwood Park, Kitchener.

Pilot Officer James Evans was among those inspected by the King and Queen at the Dominion training centre in England. He was very close to the Queen and got "quite a kick out of it," as he says in a recent letter home.

Opl. Cook William Emmerson has been recently promoted to that rank. Opl. Emmerson is at the Vocational Training Wing, Allenby School, Hamilton. On view in the Herald window is a photograph of the officers of the Lorne Scots, taken in Hamilton before the Regiment left for overseas which Opl. Emmerson has loaned

us for a few days. In the picture are Georgetown's Major J. R. Barber and Lieutenants Roaf, Keith and Paul Barber, together with officers from other towns in the district.

Local members of the Veterans' Guard of Canada, have been transferred from Monteth to St. Louis Barracks, Windsor, where they will be stationed for the next month.

AU2 Marcaret Long, of Guelph, spent the week end at her home in town.

New Legion Members Initiated

Headed by President George Bradley, an initiation team from Stratford Branch, No. 8, Canadian Legion, came to Georgetown last Sunday afternoon to initiate ten new members into the local Branch 120. Members of the team included Comrades Milligan, Buckingham, McDonald, and Wildfield, K.C. A number of members of Acton branch also attended the function. Lunch was served afterwards by the members of the local organization.

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