

*Soldier*

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Miss A. J. Beatty,  
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Wandsworth,  
England.

Dear Miss Beatty:-

Your letter of January 14th addressed to General Currie has come to me, although I cannot think that I am the one to whom you addressed it, because I was never treated at the Ministry of Munitions Hotel Metropole. I am the General Currie who commanded the Canadian Corps and the only other General Currie I know commanded our Heavy Artillery for a time.

I did not know Mrs. Cowan's eldest son and I am sorry to learn of the loss suffered by her during the war. I am afraid that there is nothing I can do to help her third son receive a position. There is a great deal of unemployment in Canada and one is daily besieged by returned soldiers for financial help and for help in getting positions.

You say that Mrs. Cowan's grant from the Government is far from being the full amount. I am quite sure there is some mistake about this. The pensions granted by the Canadian Government are higher than those granted by any other of the Allied nations. I would be very glad to take the matter up with the Department of Pensions at Ottawa, but before doing so I would have to know Mr. Cowan's full name and his regimental number. You say that the Mr. Cowan who is out of employment served in my battalion. It so happens that I did not command a battalion at the front. If you will give me the name,