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CHRISTMAS IN 1915

Another Christmas season is upon us—and may it be a merry one in spite of the war.

The outlook is encouraging for a big holiday trade. Produce is abundant and prices never so good. That spells Prosperity with a capital P in neck-o'-woods.

The war-scare is not going to be the handicap to trade it was last year even though the people have been slow in realizing that the fierce European conflict has proved to be Canada's great opportunity. She has sprung into the forefront of nations—progressive and daring, relying as never before on her own resources, and making good at every point. Values of commodities have changed and altered their proportion. Prices of most utilities have increased; but because Canadian productions are higher business is good and money is circulating more abundantly than ever in the history of the nation. It's an ill wind that blows nobody good. Deplorable as the war is, we must make the best of it—and the best the is the larger demand for what our land, woods, mines, factories can produce, and the greater self-reliance.

This is likely to be a Christmas when the purchasers of gifts will look to practical giving. Useless novelties and pretty trifles will be purchased less than the many articles of practical value that are always suitable to and appreciated by our dearest and our best.

But the kiddies—God bless them—must have their stockings full. Old Santa must visit every home.

It is a sacred duty that we remember those noble sons and brothers and sweethearts who will spend the Day in the trenches.

Many are there who have no friends at home, and who get no Christmas box. It is a big-hearted suggestion of some one that gifts be sent these lonely guardians of our empire in care of some one whom we know, asking him to deliver the gift to the unknown.

Always to be remembered for the sake of weary salespeople is the slogan "Shop early!"

Letter From Pte. H. F. Fowler

Below is a copy of Private H. F. Fowler's letter to his parents in Lakeville:

Bramshott Camp,
 Liphook, Hants, Eng.
 Dear Father and Mother: You know by this time that the 55th landed safely at Plymouth. As Clarence [Capt. Williams] cabled his people I considered it unnecessary for me to do so.

We left Quebec on the Corsican sailing at night, from that port. It was two days before we lost sight of Canada. A number of the fellows were very sick but I escaped.

We had foggy weather two days off Newfoundland, and one rainy day en route. The rest of the weather was ideal, and the boat did not roll.

When two days from the English coast we were met by two torpedo-boat destroyers which escorted us safely to Plymouth harbor where we remained all night.

Next morning in a pouring rain, we were loaded on small boats and taken ashore. Then we learned that a boat had been sunk by a German submarine some miles in advance of our steamer. They meant to get us.

All the way over our band played patriotic and popular airs. We had impromptu concerts and a jolly good time. It reminded me of the story of the Titanic's sinking, for had that submarine got us instead of a French transport

we would have all been swept into oblivion in the midst of our good times.

Plymouth and Davenport are beautiful old cities. We entrained at 11 o'clock and travelled over 200 miles to our present camp.

I have travelled over much of the New England States and parts of our province but I never saw such pretty valleys and fields as we passed on this trip. The hedges run around fields containing about three acres, much like the stone fences in Connecticut. In one field of every ten there is a hut where the man who farms and keeps the hedges trimmed lives.

Occasionally we passed mansions of land owners with beautiful walks, gardens, etc. I was told they got one pound rental per acre each year, from the farmers.

I saw very large species of cattle, much like buffalo; also many goats and sheep in the fields. Farmers seem to raise everything we do and have much more stock. I wondered why England had to import so much.

I have not visited any great cities yet, although we are but 40 miles from London. When I go there I shall write again.

I hope the girls' feet there will not be so large as they are here. They wear very large awkward shoes.

We were given a warm reception and lunch by the town people wherever we stopped.

Bramshott Camp is strictly for Canadian troops. We are living in huts. The weather is cold outside but we are warmly quartered.

I caught cold coming over and have not spoken above a whisper for a fortnight.

We have been issued new clothing and shoe paks. While life is hard so far as big eats are concerned, we are warmly clad.

We got a report last night that an airship had dropped a bomb on Shorncliffe camp, 50 miles east of us, and 26 men were killed.

I wish I could explain to you on paper the power of the wonderful searchlights we see.

Now my dear parents, I hope all is well with you. Do not worry about me. I feel that I'm "a long way from Tipperary" but I will write to you often and hope to return again.

Please pass this letter on to my brothers and sisters.

Your affectionate son,
 H. F. Fowler,
 A Co., 55th Batt

Church of England service on Sunday at 11 and 7:30. All welcome.

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OLD LOYALIST DOCUMENTS

E. L. Tompkins, who recently went from Peel to join the 140th Batt., carries in his possession a document of considerable historical interest in the shape of an honorable discharge granted to his great grandfather, John Tompkins, in 1783 at the close of the American Revolutionary war. Sergeant Tompkins was one of the earliest settlers on the St. John river, and many of his descendants are now living in Carleton county. The following is a copy of the discharge: By Christopher Hatch Esquire

These is to Certify, That the Bearer hereof, John Tompkins, Sergeant, in the aforesaid regiment, and in Capt. Bayley company, hath served honestly and faithfully, and is hereby discharged:

He having first received all just demands of pay, clothing, &c., from his entering into the said regiment, to the date of his discharge, as appears by his receipt underneath.

Given under my hand, and the seal of the regiment at St. Johns, this 10th day of October, 1783.

O. Walsh, Cap.
 Commanding.

By command of His Excellency, The Commander in Chief Deputy Inf. Gen. of British American Forces.

To all concerned, civil or military.

I do acknowledge to have received my full pay, arrears of pay, clothing, &c., and all other just demands from my Colonel and Captain, from the time of my first enlisting to the day above. As also two weeks pay to carry me up the River St. John.

Witness my hand, this 10th day of October, 1783.

John Tompkins.

H. M. Stevens of Hartland also has a document similar to the above which was delivered to his grand-father. He has, besides this, numerous other old papers of historical value. Among them is his grand-father's petition to the Legislature for a grant of land at St. Ann's Point, now Fredericton. The petitioner set forth that he left his estate, valued at £10,000, in Bergen Co., N. J., to join the 10th New Jersey Volunteers, that he fought for King George throughout the war, and at its close found life under the changed conditions intolerable. He came with other loyalists to St. John and later to Fredericton. This sturdy pioneer attained 104 years and his remains lie at Victoria graveyard.

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