

**Letter From
Lieut-Surgeon Tait.**

R. A. M. C. MESS,
Tweseldown Camp,
Farnham,
Surrey.

Friday, Aug. 20th.
Dear Father,—I was up to Alder-
shot yesterday and saw the last of
Bert and the Newfoundland boys be-
fore they left for the Barbantines.
I have seen Bert quite a number of
times, and have dined with the offi-
cers, the Newfoundland Camp be-
ing only four miles from here.
When Miss May Furlong arrives
home she will give you all the news,
for she has been here to see us, and
has been a regular mother to the
boys, and the three of us here.

Saturday last I went to town and
stayed there till Sunday night, Car-
ty and Donnelly being down at the same
time. Yesterday, after drill, I caught
a bus and went out and had dinner
with Bert. Miss Furlong and Mrs.
Jackson were there, and we all stay-
ed until the last company went away,
which was 1:30 p.m. We had after-
noon tea with the lads, chatted away
till dinner at 7, and then everyone
was busy getting orders carried out,
and arranging things for the final
discharge, and at 8 they paraded for
leaving. Bert was fine when we left,
in the best of health, and in good
spirits. All the chaps were jolly glad
to be moving, and getting ready to
see some active service.

At the station I had a chance to see
a lot of our chaps in the ranks whom
I had not met before, such as Mitch-
ell, Shears, Stan and Wilfred Harvey,
Ralph Herder, Sam Snow, Benson,
Taylor, Lloyd Woods and others, they
were all looking well and were keen
on getting away.

The Newfoundland Regiment—or a
part of it at least—formed the King's
bodyguard the other day when he was
here, which we Newfoundlanders con-
sider quite an honour. His Majesty
complimented the lads on their look-
ing so well, and when they were get-
ting on the train they received a mes-
sage from the King, wishing them
"goodbye" and "extending to them his
best wishes, etc."

I have seen quite a few regiments,
but I must say our boys were the fine-
st make-up I have ever seen. Their
radical reductions on all remaining lines of summer
wearing apparel for Ladies, Misses and Children.
This Store now presents unlimited opportunities
to save money.

It was a great sight to see our lads
—A and B Company for the first
train, followed about twenty minutes
by C and D march to the train, sing-
ing "Tipperary" and other familiar
songs, and the men of the other reg-
iments, all along the way, shouting
out to them at the top of their voices
and heaping upon them all the "lucks"
and "good wishes" possible.

It certainly was great to hear the
word Newfoundland, and to listen to
the complimentary remarks from the
bystanders.
I am busy every day from 6 a.m.
till 4 p.m. attending drill, lectures,
etc., and I like very much. I have
just returned from a six mile route
march, but the roads being very dusty
make the journey a little more un-
pleasant. As you know we have the
week-end off duty, so I am dining
on Sunday with Miss Furlong, at the
Hotel Cecil, which is a very nice place,
good to the boys, and I have been
making good use of her motor car
quite a lot.

I hope you are all well at home.
I saw Dr. Parsons a few days ago, he
is looking fine and is now waiting for
orders to move to the front.

I must now close.
Yours in haste,
H. SINCLAIR TAIT.

Cost of Ending a War.

Some Huge War Indemnities Coun-
tries Have Paid.

The cost of ending a war is often
more than the cost of waging it. While
it is not likely that this will be so
in the case of the present war, there
will certainly be a demand by the
victors for an enormous indemnity.

How much will that indemnity be?
Past wars have provided many in-
stances of the "big peace" is some-
times bought. The biggest and most
amazing sum ever paid was that
which Germany demanded from
France at the close of the Franco-
Prussian war. It amounted to \$200,-
000,000.

If Bismarck hoped that this would
crush France for ever, he must have
been sadly disappointed, for the mon-
ey was paid to the last farthing be-
fore the final settlement fell due. The
French, so it is said, used to carry
sheets through the streets of Paris
in which all contributions from the
Parisians were thankfully received.
Only five years before the Germans
had wrung from the Austrians an in-
demnity of \$5,500,000.

When Great Britain gave a crush-
ing defeat to China in 1840, the amount
of the indemnity demanded was
\$5,000,000, and to this has to be ad-
ded another \$2,000,000, after a second
war with this country. Consider-
able as these sums are, they did
not profit us seeing that the cost of
the wars to Great Britain was \$10,-
000,000.

Sometimes the amount of an in-
demnity has been reduced because
the conquered nation could not possi-
bly find the money. Russia at the
close of her war with Turkey in 1877
accepted \$30,000,000, after asking
a much greater sum. The Turko-
Greek war in 1897 provides another
instance in point. The Turks were vic-
torious and demanded \$10,000,000 in-
demnity, but Greece was already al-
most in a state of bankruptcy, and
in the end Turkey had to be content
with \$2,000,000.

In order to secure peace with Ja-
pan twenty years ago, China not only
paid nearly \$20,000,000, but also
gave over part of Manchuria, Formo-
sa, and the Pescadores to their
conquerors. Much money was given
to the Japanese. No indemnity was ask-
ed for Japan being satisfied by grants
of Russian territory.

FLORIZEL LEAVES.—The S. S.
Florizel leaves New York on Thurs-
day next for Halifax and this port.

Friday and Saturday BARGAINS "par Excellence."

Come Early if You would Reap the Full Benefit of this Bargain Festival.

**Attractive Values in
LADIES' HOSIERY**

**Black
Cashmere Hose**

New assortments of extra
quality Stockings in Black Cash-
mere, assorted rib; all sizes;
fast colors, seamless. Reg. 50c.
pair. Friday and Saturday.

42c

Black Cashmere Hose

500 pairs superior grade Black Cashmere Hose,
made of selected wools only; fashioned legs
and ankles, seamless soles and heels; in sizes SW, W
and OS. Reg. price 85c. pair. Friday and Satur-
day. **73c**

**A Determined Clearance of
All Summer Apparel**

Great consignments of New Fall Goods are now
coming in and the storage space at our disposal is
very inadequate. To relieve matters, we have made
radical reductions on all remaining lines of summer
wearing apparel for Ladies, Misses and Children.
This Store now presents unlimited opportunities
to save money.

**Special Values in
Smallwares**

BEAUTY PINS.—Fancy Gilt,
4 pins in each set. **12c**

BAR PINS.—Pearl, Gilt and
Enamel designs. **12c**

PEARL EAR SLUGS.—With
Patent Fasteners, latest
novelty. Regular **12c**

BIRTHDAY CHARMS.—
Lucky talisman, neat pen-
dants. Reg. 13c. **11c**

NAIL BRUSHES.—8 o 11 d
backs, good bristles. **12c**

PLUSH PLACQUES AND
MIRRORS.—Assorted de-
signs, Green and Crimson
Plush. Special. **21c**

PATRIOTIC FLAGS.—Mini-
ature, all Allied coun-
tries. Special, each **3c**

ALUMINUM CASTOR SETS.
—Pepper and Salt Shakes
with 1 lb. stand. **12c**

PANAMA PINS.—Fancy
Shell, latest fad, assorted
designs. Special, **12c**

DRESSING COMBS.—Strong
"Pyralin," Black, Blue,
Pink and White. **13c**

WRITING TABLETS.—Boy
Scouts pencil tablets, rul-
ed, 100 pages. **7c**

VEGETABLE SKIN TOILET
SOAP.—3 large cakes in a
box, assorted. **22c**

ALFICO.—A new and very
effective eraser. **5c**

WAD CRAYONS.—In all col-
ors for school work. **4c**

HAIR PINS.—In fancy alu-
minum box, 3 different
sizes in each box. **14c**

**Try the Royal Stores
For Good Groceries**

PEACHES—in large tins. Reg. 25c. **20c**

MOONEY'S CREAM SODAS. Spe-
cial, per tin. **27c**

POTATO FLOUR. Reg. 14c. pkt.
for **12c**

EGG PLUMS—in large tins. Reg.
20c. tin for **17c**

BAKING POWDER—in 1 lb. tins.
Special, each. **22c**

2 IN 1 WHITE SHOE POLISH.—Paste
and Liquid. Special, per pkt. **9c**

FLEMING'S RED CURRANT JAM.
Special, per pot. **18c**

PERFUMED TOILET SOAP. Spe-
cial, 4 cakes for **20c**

CONDENSED MILK—in large tins.
Reg. 14c. tin for **10c**

WELCH'S GRAPE JUICE. Special,
per bottle. **30c**

**Early Fall Footwear
For Men, Women and Children**

LADIES' BOOTS.—Black Vic Kid Boots, in laced and buttoned
styles, self tips low and medium styles; all
sizes. Reg. \$3.75 pair. Friday & Saturday. **3.40**

MISSES' BOOTS.—Black Vic Kid and Dongola, patent tips,
low heels; the popular school boot. Reg.
\$1.95 pair. Friday and Saturday. **1.80**

CHILD'S BOOTS.—In Black and Tan Vic Kid, self and pat-
ent tips, low heels; sizes 3 to 7. Reg. \$1.40
pair. Friday and Saturday. **1.28**

MEN'S BOOTS.—Well made Gun Metal Boots. Blucher
shaps; sizes 6 to 11; medium weight. Reg.
\$2.70 pair. Friday and Saturday. **2.40**

MEN'S BOOTS.—Stylish models in Black Vic Kid. Blucher
shaps; sizes 6 to 11; extra values. Reg. \$4.00
pair. Friday and Saturday. **3.65**

Black Underskirts

New arrivals—Black Moire
and Sateen Underskirts, all
new styles, fancy tucked,
Flounces well cut and finish-
ed, assorted sizes. Reg. 95c
each, for **80c**

**Infants Silk
Muslin Hats**

In dainty Colored Lustr
and Silk materials, trimmed
with Fancy Cotton Crepe, as-
sorted designs; usually sold
at \$1.00 each. Our clearing
price for Friday and Satur-
day. **59c**

**Blouse
Retainers**

The "Cant Slip" Blouse re-
tainer, fitted with rubber
grips and Elastic Webbing of
high grade, assorted sizes. Reg.
25c. each. Friday and Sat-
urday. **20c**

Ladies' Belts

Fashionable Silk and Elastic
Belts in Black Moire and
Colored Bengalines, hand-
some designs. Reg. 65 cents
each. Friday and Saturday. **52c**

**Silk
Tassels**

Colored Silk Tassels for
Dress and Millinery pur-
poses in all the most popu-
lar shades; not black. Reg.
18c. each. Friday and Sat-
urday. **14c**

Ladies' Gloves

24 dozen pairs Extra fine
Cashmereette and Lisle
Gloves, Suède finish. In a
nice range of colors, well fin-
ished. Reg. 35c. pair. Fri-
day and Saturday. **29c**

**Job
Ribbons**

Silk Merve and Taffeta
Ribbons, 6 and 6 inches wide,
firm finish. In almost every
color that is popular; usual-
ly sold at 35c. yard. Friday
and Saturday. **16c**

Fancy Muslins

A clearance of Fancy
Dress Muslins, White Hair
Cord Muslins, with fancy
rose bud designs in various
pretty color effects, 28 and
30 inches wide. Special per
yard for Friday and Satur-
day. **10c**

**Exceptional Bargains in
LADIES' APRONS**

LADIES' TEA APRONS.
In White, Lawn and Muslin, nicely trimmed with Swiss
Embroidery, assorted pretty designs; also a lot of Maids'
Aprons. Regular 55c. each. Friday and Satur-
day. **28c**

NURSE APRONS.
Special purchase of White Linen Nurse Aprons, with
and without bodies; well finished, large pockets.
Special, each, Friday and Saturday. **20c**

HANDKERCHIEFS

LADIES' HANDKERCHIEFS.
24 doz. White Muslin Handkerchiefs, trimmed with
dainty lace edging and embroidered in various
pretty styles. Reg. 13c. each. Friday & Saturday. **10c**

GENTS' HANDKERCHIEFS.
15 dozen White, Soft, Mercerized Handkerchiefs, nicely
hemstitched; colored Polka Dot borders. Reg. 20c.
each. Friday and Saturday. **15c**

**Substantial Savings
On Men and Boys' Furnishings.**



MEN'S SHIRTS.

Smart designs in Soft Tu-
nic Shirts, assorted stripes
on light grounds, coat styles,
double cuffs, all sizes. Reg.
\$1.35 each. Fri-
day and Sat. **1.17**

BOYS' SHIRTS.

A special line of Striped
Lustre and Pongee Shirts, in
one size only, 13 1/2, soft
fronts, splendid values. Reg.
\$1.00 each. Friday and
Saturday. **70c**

GENTS' SILK TIES.

Superior quality Broche and
Plain Silk Ties, wide end
styles, American make; many
new patterns, all up to date.
Special, each, Friday & Sat-
urday. **68c**

MEN'S BRACES.

Police and Firemen's Braces,
made specially for active men;
strong fixings, leathers and elastic
web. Special, per pair, Fri-
day & Saturday. **22c**

SOFT COLLARS.

A new assortment of Soft Ath-
letic Collars, plain and fancy
White Pongee, in all sizes. Reg.
15c. each. Friday and Sat-
urday. **12c**

MEN'S HALF HOSE.

Colored Cashmere Socks, the
famous "Ten Angle" make;
sprigged soles and heels; guar-
anteed fast colors; all sizes.
Reg. 60c. pair. Friday and
Saturday. **52c**

Ladies' Corsets

3 different styles in D. &
A. Corsets, made of best
White Cotton, Low and Me-
dium Busts, free hip, 4 car-
ters, lace trimmed tops. Reg.
\$1.75 pair. Friday and Sat-
urday. **1.58**

Ladies Lisle Vests

Fine Ribbed Lisle Vest,
made of best White Cotton,
elbow sleeves and sleeveless;
sprigged soles and heels; guar-
anteed fast colors; all sizes.
Reg. 60c. each. Fri-
day and Saturday. **35c**

Bed Tickings

500 yards Sterling Bleach-
ed Yarn, Blue and White,
herring bone stripes, 38 in-
ches wide. Special per yd.
24c

BOYS' CAPS.

5 dozen Tweed Golf Caps,
Checked, Striped and Plain
Tweeds, light and dark color-
ings; assorted sizes. Reg. 35c.
each. Friday and Sat-
urday. **18c**

BOYS' JERSEY SUITS

Job line marked at clearance
prices—Vest, Pants, with Cap
to match; assorted colors.
\$1.80 values. Sell-
ing for **1.25**

BOYS' SHIRTAWAISTS

The noted "Mother's friend"
brand, in Striped Gingham and
Cotton; various striped pat-
terns, double collars, breast
pockets, &c. Reg. 70c. **57c**
each. Friday & Saturday.

GENTS' STICK PINS.

A nice collection of Fancy Tie
and Stick Pins; all new ideas;
all handsome patterns, nicely
finished; gilt with brilliant in-
set. Values 60c. each. Fri-
day & Saturday. **18c**

**Job
White Quilts**

Fancy White Cotton Quilts,
ready hemmed, extra large
sizes, Fancy Honeycomb and
other patterns; values for
\$2.50 each. Selling Friday
and Saturday at **1.50**

**Bolster
Cases**

Superior quality White
Linen Bolster Cases, size 22
x 68, Filled Ends. Reg. 75c.
Friday and Saturday. **60c**

Pillow Cases

A large collection of White
Cotton Pillow Cases, size 17
x 27, nicely frilled and hem-
stitched. Special, each. Fri-
day and Saturday. **17c**

You can save considerably on HARDWARE by making your purchases here.

Iron Skillets, 1 1/2 gallon size. Reg. 60c. each for **55c**
Iron Skillets, 2 gallon size. Reg. 70c. each for **65c**
"Dodo" Razor Paste. Reg. 15c. for **12c**
Dust Pans. Reg. 14c. for **12c**
Gold-Plated Photo Frames. Reg. 65c. each for **59c**
Nickel Bathroom Towel Bars. Reg. 20c. each for **17c**
Window Screens, size 24 x 33. Reg. 40c. each for **36c**
Refrigerators. Reg. \$38.75 for **\$30.00**
Ice Cream Freezers, 10 quart size. Reg. \$4.20 for **\$5.70**
Ice Cream Freezers, 12 quart size. Reg. \$7.95 for **\$6.45**

Tea Knives. Reg. \$3.00 doz. for **\$2.70**
Table Knives. Reg. \$2.60 doz. for **\$2.30**
3 dozen Drapery Pins. Special for **5c**
Tea Spoons. Reg. \$1.00 doz. for **90c**
Dessert Spoons. Reg. \$1.60 doz. for **\$1.45**
Nail Brushes. Reg. 5c. for **4c**
Goddard's Plate Powder. Reg. 25c. for **19c**
Adam's Furniture Cream. Reg. 25c. for **19c**
Apple Corers. Reg. 6c. each for **5c**
Tea Strainers. Special, 2 for **5c**
Jackson's Floor Polish. Reg. 10c. each for **8c**
Tooth Brushes. Reg. 12c. each for **10c**

The Royal Stores Ltd.

**Wanderers Trim
Red Lions**

In Yesterday's Baseball.

Though contrary to the opinion of
the fans, the Wanderers made the Red
Lions bite the dust yesterday after-
noon thus the victors are now in
good standing for the championship.

Despite the unfavourable weather
the attendance of spectators was the
largest for the season, the proceeds
amounting to \$56. The players were:

Wanderers	Red Lions
Ford	Hiltz
King	Cooney
Hartnett	Baird
Hocken	Payne
Britt	Crawford
McLeod	Munn
McCrinde	Gowens
McLean	Rolls

Jenkins relieved rolls in the sev-
enth innings. The score by innings
was—

Wanderers . . . 3 1 4 0 1 0 3—12
Red Lions . . . 3 1 0 0 0 1 0—5

Messrs. Chesman and Montgomerie
were umpires and Messrs. Outer-
bridge and Colton scores.

The contest was fast and exciting
throughout. A regrettable feature
was the rain shower, interfering with
play somewhat. The pitching by
King and Cooney was excellent.

MacLean, of the Wanderers, made the
best hit of the game, reaching third
base. McLeod, McCrinde and Hock-
en, of the same team, each made a
two bagger. In the second innings
Hartnett and Hocken made a double
play.

The Cubs and B. I. S. will contest
next Wednesday and it is a foregone
conclusion that the Cubs are going to
win. They will play off with the
Wanderers for the pendant the fol-
lowing week.

During the game yesterday a cer-
tain insignificant player made him-
self obnoxious to all. The frills and
tassels introduced were, we under-
stand, contrary to all baseball eti-
quette. By his interference with oth-
er players and bases he had to be re-
peatedly called to order by the
umpires who were "ragged" by the de-
linquent while the game was held up.
The incident was generally regretted.

**The Strength of
Artillery Steel**

Almost Inconceivable Pressure to
Which the Barrels of the Big Can-
non are Subjected.

(From Tit-Bits.)

Modern high-powered guns could
not be built without steel strong en-
ough to resist the enormous pres-
sure to which they are subjected. Few
understand how great these pressures
are—almost as far beyond ordinary
comprehension as are the distances
of the stars or the number of atoms
in a glass of water. An attempt to
state the matter in a form that will
mean something to the ordinary mind
is made by a contributor to "La Na-
ture" in an article entitled "The
Strains Resisted by Gun-Metal." He
writes:

"When the marvels of modern ar-
tillery are described, perhaps we di-
rect our admiration too exclusively to
the mechanicians who have combined
to construct it. We must not, how-
ever, forget the metallurgist, for it is
owing to the astonishing qualities of
the metal that the gun is so well able
to resist the enormous strain due to
the detonation of the explosive.

"It is interesting to cite here some
figures published by Commander Tri-
gault. At each discharge of a gun, in
the case of our field-pieces, in the
less than three-tenths of a second, the
pressure exceeds twenty tons to the
square inch, and the speed of the pro-
jectile leaving the muzzle is more
than 2500 feet per second.

"The energy developed may be put
at about half a million foot-pounds;
in other words, considering the can-
non as a motor working during an ex-
ceedingly short time, we may place
its rating at about twenty million
horsepower.

"Not only must the metal be able to
resist these strains time after time,
but to do so under unfavorable cir-
cumstances, such as the high tempera-
tures produced by the explosives. And
not only must the metal of the gun be as
strong as this, but it is the same with
that of the shell. The shell of our
'seventy-five' supports a pressure es-
timated at seventeen tons; the work
of the device that takes up the re-
coil reaches about twelve tons to the
square inch, and the mount neutral-
izes at each discharge about two tons.

"In fact, these conditions are real-
ized in quite a remarkable way. It
has been possible to test in