

Northumberland Volunteer Writes Letter to Mother

The following letter from Stanley Parks, of Redbank, who enlisted with the first Canadian contingent, will be of interest to our readers:

5th Royal Highlanders
of Canada,
Salisbury Plains, Eng.
Oct. 30, 1914.

Dear Mother,

I was greatly pleased to get your letters of October 9th and 13th and hear that you were all well at home. I scarcely expected to hear from home so soon as mails are not as regular on the Atlantic as they were before the 4th of August, when old England drew the sword in the cause of justice.

You were wondering what kind of an outfit of clothes we soldiers have, well I tell you when the British soldiers met us and found out about our "kit" and pay to say they were surprised would be putting it mild. Our outfit is made up of the following articles: One uniform consisting of tunic, kilts, etc., two suits of Stanfield medium underwear, two shirts, two pairs of stockings, one pair of woolen gloves, one woolen nightcap, one pair of boots and a big heavy overcoat. In cold weather we have a pair of trousers to wear, so we are often too warm, instead of being too cold. The English soldier gets thirty-six cents per day, while our pay is one dollar and ten cents per day; we are paid for Sundays so, you see our condition is not so bad after all, but very few of us are in it for the pay, in my tent everyone left a far higher paid job. We are rather a strange collection, in our tent the first was a detective to the city of Quebec, next one was a coal miner from B. C., the next was a rolling-mill expert in Montreal, the next a mining engineer just out from Scotland, the next a ship's steward of McEurel, the next was a moving picture camera expert, the next was a book-keeper and then comes myself, certainly a strange collection for one tent to hold. We get along fine together.

Every night we have a concert at the Y. M. C. A. tent and as we have quite a few former actors and singers the concerts are always a success. We sing all the patriotic songs but more often they are comic opera or the latest popular songs; we also have a few composed by the boys, which are not so bad.

I suppose you people in Canada are busy following the war in the papers. We boys buy two papers a day just now while the Germans are making every effort to win Calais, but have been held up north of Dunkirk, where one of the most terrific battles of the world was fought, in which millions of men, aircraft, submarines, battleships and great guns turned that part of France into a scene such as Dante describes in his "Inferno."

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bullets, shells, and bombarded from the sky, they held back the foe until the great 2500 lb. projectiles from the Germans 42 centimetre guns had battered the forts into complete ruin, when it was impossible for so few to hold back the legions of the Kaiser. It was a bitter price the Germans paid with thousands slain and an even greater dread instilled in them of those "mad English" and those dark, fierce, fighting men of Belgium.

Last night we got word that Turkey rushed into the fight without declaring war. Where this war will end it is hard to say. It seems as if the whole world, may yet be engaged in it, and it is made all the more terrible by modern invention and science.

We do not know when we will leave here, but if it had been put to vote, we would be there now.

I suppose father got that letter describing our arrival here and me being placed in the maximum gun section.

I will write later, hoping to hear from you all soon, I remain,

Your loving son

Stanley Parks.

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THE MARRIED VOLUNTEER

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filled as far as possible by unmarried men who have no dependents.

It is very important that while generous aid is being given to the cause of Empire abroad, the cause of Empire at home should not be overlooked, and, without intending anything in disparagement of the unencumbered young man, the cause of Empire at home can be much better looked after by married men—those who have assumed family responsibilities and who have an appreciation, born of experience, of what such a responsibility really means.

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ABLE SERMON BY REV. WM. HARRISON

In the Newcastle Methodist church, Sunday night, Rev. Dr. Wm. Harrison preached on "Why we Should Fight for our Country," taking as his text Acts XVI:9—"Come over and help us," and saying in part:

This appealing cry that went up from the heart of Europe 1800 years ago was not for fame or extension of territory, but a bitter cry for help. It was boldly answered through Europe that time had not one single Christian temple.

Another cry comes today from Europe—on swift wing and in deadly earnest. It is the call of England and her allies engaged in the mightiest conflict this world knows anything about. If the English parliament calls for help it is not with the tone of defeat, but of a mighty nation to her children for aid in bringing about a proper settlement. The call came in the first place several months ago, and was heard in our Dominion above the noise of business, above that of selfishness. We are not ashamed of Canada's response. Neither is England ashamed of the 32,000 men we sent.

Today the call comes again. He was amazed that many do not care about it. When we are snug at home, at this very hour the flower of England's army is in a death struggle to preserve our safety. How anyone can be indifferent at such a time to such a cry was more than the speaker could understand. The British army is upholding our Canadian liberty, and guaranteeing the stability of the land we live in and of the principles we stand for. There is something tremendously and wonderfully vital in the issues depending upon this struggle. As far as England and her allies are concerned, if ever there was a struggle justified it is this. The whole civilized world, with exception of one or two countries, backs up the allies, and would have branded England with shame had she avoided the contest.

England is acting the good Samaritan in this war, to save poor little Belgium from the great robber and scoundrel of Europe. No international morality was found in the invaders and aggressors who despised the "scrap of paper," they had themselves signed. To restore Belgium, England is calling upon the whole resources of her mighty empire. She went into the conflict with a good conscience—a mighty advantage. A worthy class of men had gone to the front. He was not ashamed of them. We had heard of brutal outrages, but it was not on record that any had been committed by the allies. There was no record that any British soldier had been guilty of excesses.

Those who have placed their lives on the altar of sacrifice deserve our consideration. It was well to prepare the volunteers so many conveniences as the women were doing. They also deserve our prayers. In British cities prayer is being offered daily for the soldiers at the front. Prayer would accomplish much. He believed that the soldiers themselves did not forget God.

In these days when the British nation is going down to its Gethsemane, any indifference was out of place—there should be a great sobriety. No Briton was now playing golf. London ballrooms were closed. If any nation should be sober it was ours now. He understood that there had lately been a public ball in this town. It seemed to him that such frivolity was shockingly out of place as much so as would be an invitation to a person lately bereaved to attend a ball next week. England is bereaved and Canada may soon be. He could not understand such levity and indifference.

He was proud of the fact that now there were 30,000 Methodists at the front in the British army. Lincoln had said that the Methodists had sent more men to the civil war than any other church.

NERVOUS WOMEN

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Their proportion might not have been higher, but the figures went to show that the Methodist church did not keep its people at home.

We have every right to pray for victory for the allies—not in a vague general way but that victory may definitely come to England and her allies. The world seems to expect allied victory. The response to Britain's call is coming—wide as the mighty empire. Thank God for it.

The service closed with God Save the King.

Newcastle Steam Ferry TIME TABLE

(Every day except Sundays)
Leave Newcastle—A. M.—6.50, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00, 9.30, 10.00, 10.30, 11.00, 11.30, 12.00.
P. M.—1.15, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, 10.15, 10.45, 11.15, 11.45.
Leave Chatham Head—A. M.—7.15, 7.45, 8.15, 8.45, 9.15, 9.45, 10.15, 10.45, 11.15, 11.45.
P. M.—12.15, 1.30, 2.00, 2.30, 3.00, 3.30, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.30, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00, 9.30, 10.15.

SUNDAY TIME TABLE

Leave Newcastle—A. M.—9.00, 9.40, 10.20, 11.20.
P. M.—12.30, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.15, 5.45, 6.15, 6.45, 7.15, 7.45, 8.20, 8.40, 9.25.
Leave Chatham Head—A. M.—9.30, 10.00, 10.40, 11.40.
P. M.—12.40, 2.00, 2.30, 3.00, 3.30, 4.00, 4.30, 5.00, 5.30, 6.00, 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00, 9.45.

During the months of May, June, July, August and (unless previous notice of a change be given) September, and up to and including the 15th day of October.

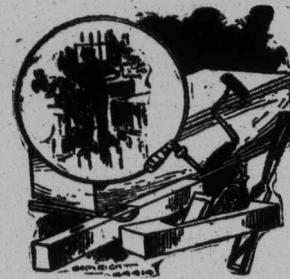
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