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Dere Koronel

I am like it nor much worse in de stable of de Majer de Mille she put me to de travail too much as before but it not difficulty to make de imitate I work on de dirty horse some side one day some other side de other day an some day no side at all, but de surgent majer she is watch me close all time sometime not when I rest me an make noise like to steam come from safety valvular on de locomote. She tell me de horse she is not clean as other of de horse an she order me to de clinic cause I say to her clean de horse herself.

I lay de sod in front of Majer de Mille an I hear her say good man but de surgent majer she say no good. Now dere Koronel is it not very bad for me to be so put up upon by dis surgent majer which ride de easiest horse in de stable an give de bad horse for me to clean an ride. She is no good as Surgent Majer Estey an I wish you dere Koronel to stop dis hard working in dis stable for me or I would get to Surgent Locke on de farm for more easier work unless I get to hit de big drum. I am seek at de stomach like hell too much by de smell of de horse an my Rosie is seek like hell too of me as my clothes are stink too much as I write you before of dis eau-de-stable.

Dere Koronel I make de applicant for to work on de farm or hit de drum with de big steek. I think you too must give me new uniform that does not smell much as mine so my rosie will love me again so much as before as when I was in Quebec.

An dere Koronel there is one of de officier who is look my rosie in de eye too much for her own safe keeping an I want you put her on de next draft for over de seas an make it go sooner as possible so I not lose my rosie to dis officier before she go.

Dere Koronel it is so or not is it so dat the war is over sooner now an dat I leave not dis barrack for to fight de Hun. De surgent majer Simms she tell me you know when dis war is over more better than someone else is it not so.

Joe. Pacquette.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Editor:—

I see that things seem to be going along fine in France just now, and I suppose you would like to hear the reason; as a matter of fact I sent a few instructions by wireless to General Foch and he seems to be doing alright. It's a pity I

cannot get over there myself just now to give him a hand out, but I understand that at present I am doing useful work here, and I may as well remain here a little longer, at any rate until the town goes dry. I had an accident the other day, one of our young N.C.O.'s asked me to have a drink to wet his promotion, and I never heard him. I was telling a few of my yarns to the troops the other day, and they did not believe that story of mine about the snake. When I was in Sierra Leone I went out snake hunting and I came across a python forty-nine feet long. Of course I soon got the best of it. I choked it, and then I skinned it, and I used the skin for a sidewalk in front of my bungalow. It's there yet.

Some of these Ginks give me a pain they don't believe half the yarns I tell them, of course they haven't seen very much themselves and the only excitement they have seen is at a tiddley wink convention. I don't seem to catch on to the girls somehow, and I can't explain it. I feel just as young as ever I did and I'm just as handsome. I thought I had a chance with the blonde, but that Scotch friend of mine with the small feet beat me to it; I'll get even with him; I'll drink his beer. I wanted to go on Church Parade last Sunday in my bare feet, but I was afraid the S. M. would choke me off. I lost my boots, that didn't worry me any, after living in Tibet with the natives, and running down the festive mountain goat in my bare feet.

I wonder if you heard about those two sergeants who went to Montreal on Saturday last. They were being entertained by some pretty girls; the day was hot and one of the girls suggested that they remove their tight coats to be a bit more comfortable, well that started Ernie Johnson blushing, and the more the girl insisted the more he blushed; 'cos why, he had no shirt on. Hughie Davidson had the same experience the other evening. I expect Jimmy Boyd had the same experience too, but he won't let on. One of our handsome young Corporals nearly lost his girl last Sunday whilst watching the fire; one of our officers came along and cast sheep's eyes at the girl, and didn't that Corporal sweat blood, all the time the officer was eyeing the girl, our Corporal was expecting to be clinked whilst Mr. ——— pinched the lady. Hughie has been suspended for two weeks for some reason or other, and he's walking around with the same expression as a gold fish. Alec had a fine looking Jane up at the Concert on

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