



Sapper Melcombe, one of the ablest of Dan Cupid's garden, reports that his peach garden is in full bloom. Lilies, pansies, marguerites, roses, and violets are there in pelting profusion.

Corpl. Harry Green, sometime borough engineer to a thriving French town, has been relieved of his duties by an R.E. Harry, who is now up the line, is duly impressed by the tablet erected on the wall of the N.C.O.'s mess by his comrades, in memory of his past greatness.

Of the several recent Company promotions, none have met with more general satisfaction than that of Sergt. Bud Harris to be C.Q.M.S. Bud and his sidekick, Sergt. Turner, are the Company's representatives in the latest honours list—each having received a well-earned Meritorious Service Medal.

C.Q.M.S. Crompton and Sergt. Aedy have given up chevrons for stars, and are now gentlemen cadets somewhere in England.

Sergt. Smith has made a Blighty on an accommodating G.S.W.

Driver Green recently paid a visit to a certain Battalion. Green, who is not a bit like his name, rapidly decided that, after all, there is no place like home, and, like the cat, came back.



Major P. Earnshaw's Company.

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Another month of glorious weather, with ample opportunities for enjoying the beauties of rural France.

"Indispensable."

Our "enforced idleness" is not unpleasant, and even if it does keep us occupied from 5.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., we manage to extract a certain amount of enjoyment from life.

Sweepstakes and prize shoots make musketry practice good fun for everybody. One officer made small scores consistently in the five franc "sweeps," and then scored 44 out of 50 when the "ante" was raised to 20 francs. He was overheard chuckling to himself, and murmuring something about "there's one born every minute."

There is much criticism of the Canteen, but little consideration appears to be given to the difficulties experienced in obtaining supplies. It must be conceded, however, that the stock carried lately is very small. One wit says that the Canteen Corpl. was trying to borrow a cigarette paper the other day, as he had to take stock, and had no stationery.

Lieut. A. B. Baxter proceeded to the R.E. Signal Depot, for instructional duty.

Lieut. J. A. M. Young returned to the Company.

Lieut. H. W. Dawson has been granted special leave to the U.K. to be married.

Corpl. F. R. Read (R.E.'s) transferred to the R.E. Signal Base, after having been with this Company for three years. His "cheery" presence will be missed by the many friends he made during that time.

No. 2 Section had a successful sports meet on the June 10th. The tug-of-war between the linemen and the "runners" provided keen competition. The C.O.