

also had 1 year in Alberta and 2 years on
a bush farm at Cobble Hill. V.I. Before the war,
I was told in London that my papers would be forwarded
to Canada and was given a letter to the Head of the SSB
in St John N.B. I saw the F.S.B in St John and no
question re qualification was raised; Capt Donaldson (the
Head) sent me on to the Field Supervisors and I have
been looking for a farm ever since. Having about decided
on one, I met Capt Donaldson in Halifax and with him
Major Ashton of Ottawa (one of the Commissioners). Then for
the first time came up the question of qualifications and
a remark was made that my Canadian experience was
prior to 1910. No mention of this date is made in the
pamphlet issued by the Board, and it appears that there
may be some delay, which I cannot afford. If my family
arrive before I am settled, and they will be here by June 7th, I
shall have to spend the money meant to help me get a
farm, on their board, and heaven knows, what I shall do.
With my recent dairying experience and my boy to help
me, I have no doubt of being able to make a success of it,
and I should be awfully obliged if you could manage to
shake them up a bit and get things going.

I was very glad to hear that you had made as great a
success of peace as you did of war.

Yours sincerely

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late 7th Batt.