16th. February 1926

Sir A. W. Currie, McGill University, Montreal, P.Q. Canada.

Dear General Currie;

I trust it will not be necessary to ask your pardon for this method of address. It seems unnatural for me to address you in any other manner, and I am sure the former members of your command all feel the same.

I am deeply indebted to you for your kind letter and the booklet by Major Gibson, which came a short time later. I wish to thank you many, many times for the booklet, and also for the letter; which shows beyond question that the former members of your command occupy a large place in your thoughts. The arrival of the letter and booklet were really one of the great events of life since my return from service.

Perhaps you are a student of philosophy and can tell me why it is that existence seems so petty and civil life so devoid of those qualities which we knew as commonplace in the days when men were Gods, and their deeds eclipsed those performed by any of the heroes of fiction or mythology.

I am hoping very strongly that, some day, I may be fortunate enough to form a connection in Canada which will enable me to realize my ambition to secure citizenship in the country for which I fought. Should you hear from any officers of the C.P.R. or C.N.R. in this regard I would be glad if you would let me know whom to communicate with, so that I would be in a position to forward references and qualifications to anyone interested.