

Interesting Letter

From Private E. Kelly.

The following letters, written by Private Ernest Kelly, of the First Newfoundland Contingent, have been received by his brother Thomas, of Dicks and Co.'s.

Salisbury Plains.

December 4th, 1914.

Dear Brother,—Well, old boy, we are enjoying ourselves fine; think we are going up to Scotland in barracks; most all the other (the Canadians) are going in huts. Think the General is pleased with us. He viewed us to-day and so did Lord Brassey. We are not going to be attached to any Canadian company as I believe we are too smart for the most of them. There is a place about two miles away from here called the Stonehenge. It is said to be two thousand years old, a place where the old Romans went to worship before going to battle; there are stones 12 feet square piled on top of one another and nobody seems to understand how they were put there. It is a grand sight and I am mighty glad I saw it. We see lots of rabbits every day but we are not allowed to kill them, I wish we could. There is a flying school here and I have been up in the clouds lots of times. It's great to be up there and look down at the earth. We do our drill by platoon, 4 sections to a platoon. We all take turns at scouting every morning. At 3 o'clock we go after those who left at 2. We have to find them and the way we do it sometimes is by putting our ears to the ground. No one is to make a sound. I got taken a prisoner the other night. Say, old boy, it's great fun. A soldier's life for me, although I would like to be in St. John's for Xmas. I will see a bit of the world, anyway. I have been to a dozen places already. I am engaged nearly every night singing at concerts and all my spare time is taken up learning songs. I have a job to write this letter as all the boys are singing and playing mouth organs, etc. Are we downhearted. "No." We are going shooting this week, 75 rounds a man. I think we are going to the front some time in January or February. I wish we were there now. I will be satisfied to get to the front. I got me. I have seen thousands of Germans in England as prisoners. I wish we could get at the Germans, I would go without my meals for a week. The boys are tormenting me to sing another song so I will have to say good-bye.

E. K.

Fort George, Dec. 12th, 1914.

Dear Brother,—We are now on a grand sight-seeing trip. My wish is to see it kept up a while. We left Salisbury Plains on the 7th inst., at 10 p.m., and arrived at Fort George at 1 p.m. next day. You can see what a fine run we had, going over the Highlands on a train going at 60 miles an hour. I think Scotland will be better quarters for us than Salisbury Plains. The weather is better here, there being very little snow and no frost scarcely. We are near the North Sea and if there is a battle we will hear the guns. The British ships come here for coal. The Iron Duke was in last week. There are three sea planes near the Port. The Port itself is like something you would read about, but a fine place for Bill (the Kaiser) to go. We have one daisy man and that is Gus O'Brien, everybody here loves him. He got good of our platoon. I will say good-bye for now.

ERNEST.

How Wounds Heal.

Few people have any idea of the wonderful process by which wounds heal. Stitching, dressing, etc., are important operations, but none of them can make good the damage, or replace the loss of tissue in a wound. This is the work of our good friends in the blood, the white corpuscles—the "scavengers," so called because they destroy disease germs.

When a wound is made, a bone broken, a nerve torn, etc., it is chiefly by these corpuscles finding their way out of the blood vessels into the surrounding tissues that the injuries by bullet or bayonet are repaired. The union of broken bones, nerves, skin, etc., is effected by the corpuscles finding their way into the coagulated blood which surrounds the injured parts.

They throw out what are called "processes," become fixed, and join each other. A new tissue is thus formed, which becomes endowed with blood vessels. Fibres follow, and these serve to keep the torn tissues of the wound in what is surgically called "opposition."

In this tissue, in the case of a broken bone, bone salts are deposited; where nerves have been torn by a bullet, nerve fibres grow, and so on. These fibres, in the course of healing, contract, and it is by that power of contraction that the edges of a wound are brought together and united.

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Dust Pans 10c.
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Tin Funnels, regular 15c.
Large Glass Jugs 15c.
Glass Milk Jugs 10c.
Glass Spoon Holders 10c.
Sugar Basins, large size 10c.
Butter Coolers, small 8c.
Butter Coolers, large 15c.
Dust Pans, with detachable handle 15c.
Meat Choppers 10c.

Wool Blankets.

We have about 20 pairs of extra good quality Wool Blankets, standard size. These are not like the ordinary blanket, they are more closely woven and surface finished with a shorter wool; this blanket is usually sold at \$6.50 pair. Friday, Saturday and Monday, pair

\$5.60



BLANKETS

LADIES' GLOVES.

This is a nice weight for present wear. Suede Cashmere finish; 2 dome fasteners; Black shade, plain and fancy. Our regular fitting. Reg. 40c. Friday, Saturday & Monday 35c.

BOYS' SWEATERS.

Yes. For the small boy, we have a lot of Heavy Jerseys, assorted sizes, mostly Blue shade, plain and fancy. Our regular lines up to 55c. Friday, Saturday & Monday 39c.

Specials in Enamelware.

Stew Pans, 2 for 25c.
Saucepans, to hold 4 quarts 15c.
Saucepans, to hold 5 quarts 19c.
Skillets, to hold 7 quarts 29c.
Skillets, to hold 8 quarts 39c.
Berlin Saucepans, to hold 14 pints 59c.
Water Jugs, to hold 7 pints 29c.
Boats Kettles 23c.
Milk Pans 15c.
Funnels 15c. & 29c.
Soap Dishes 10c.
Mugs 10c.
Cullenders 15c.
Cuspidors 15c.

Children's Stocking Rubbers.

These come in sizes from 6½ to 10, each having long hose attached to rubber, in heavy ribbed crimson worsted, extra long length; worn very much in Canada, and very suitable for our winters. Reg. Special, Friday, Saturday and Monday

1.05

Smallware Specials.

Nail Brushes 15c.
Wash Rubs, 2 for 5c.
Lifters, 2 for 5c.
Darners, each 5c. and 15c.
Wool Dusters, each 15c.
Wire Strainers, each 15c.
Mending Tissue, each 5c.
Combination Graters, each 5c.
Tack Hammers, each 9c.
Candy and Ice Hammers, each 9c.
Drawer Pulls, each 5c.
Tack Lifters, each 5c.
Soldering Outfit, each 15c.
Tie Racks, each 10c.
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Tooth Picks, 3,000 for 10c.
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Minard's Liniment 14c.
Peroxide 27c.
Pearlcase Glass Boot Polish 10c.

MAIL ORDERS delivered promptly.

IT PAYS TO PAY CASH

BUY WHERE YOUR MONEY YIELDS MOST.

REMNANTS!

Now is a great time to get Bargains in Remnants.

After stock taking so many ends are brought to light; in our dress section you'll find blouse lengths, skirt lengths and even dress lengths, and lots of ends suitable for children's dresses; also flannels, flannellets, shirtings, blouse materials, muslins, gingham and lawns, etc., every remnant marked to the very lowest figure during our winter sales. Come, you are sure to find something to suit you.

Friday, Saturday & Monday.

Our First Sale for 1915.

Opens up with lots of attractions in merchandise for present needs. Though "stock-taking" has pretty well taken our attention since Christmas, we have nevertheless borne in mind that this Sale will be looked forward to as usual, and whilst thanking our numerous patrons for their generous attendance in the past year, we would ask for a continuance during 1915, with the assurance from us that greater activity will prevail to make this year's Sales even more attractive. We submit the following items as a few of the many we have picked out for

FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND MONDAY.

Paying Purchases in the SHOWROOM.

CHILDREN'S UNDERWEAR.

Just a nice assortment to hand to-day, fine jersey ribbed and fleeced, assorted sizes in Cream and White, singlets with high neck and long sleeves and pants ankle length. Special, Friday, Saturday and Monday, per garment

21c.

LADIES' BOWS.

A big job line of fancy bows, nearly all shades represented, large and small shapes. Special, Friday, Saturday & Monday, 2 for

13c.

SLEEVES.

2 quantities, lace and net, in Cream, Paris, Black and White. 'Tis surprising how they brighten up an old dress; easy to attach. Reg. 20c. each. Friday, Saturday and Monday

13c.

LADIES' WOOL CAPS.

For Ladies' and Misses. These are very stylish, showing turned up brim, with button at top, in shades of Navy, Brown, Cream and V Rose; a fine cap for the rink and general knockabout wear. Regular 35c. Friday, Saturday and Monday

25c.

Misses' Sweater Coats, 78c

For Misses these are very comfortable looking, buttoned in front, heavy ribbed finish, in shades of Navy, Brown and Rose, etc. Regular up to \$1.00. Friday, Saturday and Monday

78c.

ITEMS FROM EVERYWHERE LOW-PRICED.

FLEECE SOLES.

We have Ladies' and Gents sizes in these, suitable for wearing in your boots and shoes, or for knitting tops on for house slippers. Special, Friday, Saturday and Monday, each

19c.

PILLOW CASES.

3 dozen only of pretty frilled pillow cases, size 18 x 27 clear of frill, made of good quality English Pillow Case. Reg. 25c. Friday, Saturday and Monday

21c.

SIDEBOARD CLOTHS.

These are extra large, measuring 12 x 68 inches, pretty centre of white insertion, openwork, and hemstitched border; about one dozen and a half of these left. Reg. 60c. Friday, Saturday and Monday

49c.

WOMEN'S SLIPPERS.

The perfect house slipper, or for wearing in gaiters, made of good grade patent leather, elastic front, leather soles and leather band. Reg. 70c. Friday, Saturday and Monday, per pair

76c.

I Must Go Down and get a Few of These.

MEN'S LINED KID GLOVES.

This glove became very popular Christmas time, as it offered excellent value, pretty Tan shade, warmly lined and having the appearance of a much higher priced glove, 1 dome fastener. Reg. \$1.25. Friday, Saturday and Monday

1.10

The "Varcon" Wrist Warmer.

These are dandy for skaters, for either outdoor or rink wear, they keep the wrists perfectly warm and prevent the cold air from going up your sleeve, or if you wish you can attach them to your wool gloves; we haven't many pairs. Come early by all means. Special, Friday, Saturday and Monday, per pair

48c.

Men's All Wool Mitts.

These are best Aberdeen Wool, nothing warmer made, and they come in assorted shades of Grey, etc. 1 dome fastener and leather bound at the wrist edge. Reg. \$1.00 pair. Friday, Saturday and Monday

87c.

"PHOENIX" MUFFLERS.

5 dozen of this popular and perfect fitting winter neckwear, White, Cream and dark shades, with single dome fastener, they wash perfectly; you usually pay 60c. to 70c. for this quality, but you get them right here Friday, Saturday and Monday

46c.

MEN'S SOFT COLLARS.

Our stock of these is brightened up by the addition of new arrivals, in White, Cream, P. Blue and Fancy; now is a good time to pick up add lines like this. Reg. 15 cents. Special, Friday, Saturday and Monday

2 for 23c.



Ribbons,

5 inches wide for 15c.

40 pieces of Lustrous Silk Taffeta Ribbons, 5 inches wide, showing shades of Navy, Pink, Royal, Sage, Brwn, Cerise, Greens, Champagne, Cream and Black. Special, Friday, Saturday and Monday, per yard

15c.

Ladies' Vests.

These come in heavy fleece lined, high neck and long sleeves, real heavy weight for winter wear; sizes up to 44 inch bust. Reg. 60c. Friday, Saturday and Monday

52c.

DIRECTOIRE KNICKERS.

In shades of Brown, Grey, Sage and Navy, made with hipper band at waist and banded at the knee; very comfortable during our rigorous winter weather. Reg. \$1.20. Special, Friday, Saturday and Monday

94c.

BOLSTER CASES.

A nice assortment showing some with frilled ends, others hemstitched, and others again all plain; size 19 x 64, made of best quality Pillow Cotton; values up to 70c. Friday, Saturday and Monday

52c.

Towel Ends, 9c.

A great chance to get your Kitchen Towels cheaply. We secured a lot of these ends from the factory direct, good wearing quality, with striped edge, worth 14c. per yard. Friday, Saturday and Monday, per end

9c.

WOMEN'S CARPET SLIPPERS.

Sizes 3, 4 and 5 only, in good quality Carpet, warmly lined, leather soles and heels, our regular 75 cent line. Friday, Saturday and Monday

64c.

KITCHEN SETS, 16c.

Containing 1 heavy lined dipper, 1 heavy lined strainer and 1 ladle. These three kitchen items. Special, Friday, Saturday and Monday, the three for

16c.

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This Date in History.

JANUARY 8.

Full Moon—Jan. 1.
Days Past—7 To Come—357
GALILEO died 1642, aged 78. The famous mathematician and astronomer of Pisa, who while still a youth discovered the law of pendulum vibration by seeing a lamp swinging from the roof of a cathedral. He also constructed the first telescope, with which he made numerous astronomical studies.

SIR LAWRENCE ALMA-TADEMA born 1836. The son of a Netherlands notary, who came to England in 1869, where he soon made a name for himself as a painter of classical pictures of great beauty of colour and delicate design. An exhibition of his works was held at the Academy in 1913.

THE HODDEN GREY.

Way, way for the Hodden Grey,
For the fiery cross burns red,
Thro' London town borne up and down
The ancient spell has sped.
O'er hill and dale each warlike Gael
It called to meet the foe,
And spirit feet on the London street,
March with us as we go.

Way, way for the Hodden Grey,
For the lads from o'er the Forth,
From Tweed and Tay and the Silvery Spey
The shieling in the North.
Some ne'er have seen the heather green
On hill or Highland ben,
But the spirit's there to do or dare,
That led our Highland men.

Way, way for the Hodden Grey,
For we fear no foreign foe.
Our Grandfathers bold as in days of old
March with us as we go.
For Scotland's might, for Britain's right,
We march to win the day,
And the foe shall shout, 'mid battle rout,
"Way for the Hodden Grey!"
—Wilfred Lorraine Anckorn, in London Times.

"Hearts of Women"

Is Nickel's Special.

The Vitaphone actors, among the best in America, appear at the Nickel Theatre this evening in a two part special entitled: "Hearts of Women." This is a very interesting story. Two women of entirely different walks of life reveal nature that are most contradictory to expectations. Julia Swayne Gordon and Naomi Childs are the principal characters.

"The Cat's Paw" is another big two reeler. The Thanhouer artists are responsible for it and they handle it exceptionally well.

There are two other bright pictures.

Miss Margaret Ayer will repeat her popular Irish song.

Remember the matinee for children to-morrow; don't fail to send them, extra pictures will be given.

Up to Its Motto.

The Crescent Picture Palace is certainly keeping up to its motto: "Nothing but the best." Read down the big programme advertised in another part of this paper, every number is a feature produced by the best Companies, and every performer ranks highest amongst motion picture artists.

Mr. J. O'Neill Farrell sings a patriotic ballad: "To fight for the country he loves so well, and the sweetheart he leaves behind," introducing "Soldiers of the King" and "A long way to Tipperary." Don't miss seeing this show at the Crescent.

The "Skogstad."

The Norwegian steamer Skogstad, which came to port two days ago short of coal and leaves this afternoon for her destination, belongs to the same company of owners as the Storstad, which rammed and sunk the S. S. Empress of Ireland in the Gulf of St. Lawrence nearly a year ago.

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Germany about 100,000 lives to accomplish this.

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She is a great mistake. Frau Krupp is compelled to invent her own. By this means civilization receive a great boost, for Frau Krupp couldn't invent a cannon to her life, and in time, peace would down over all Europe for want of improvements in man-killing.

MOST PATHETIC INCIDENT I WITNESSED.

(By a Soldier.)

During the progress of the fighting at Aisne I got separated from my unit, and hid all night in a wood. Morning I fell in with a French soldier, who, in good English, told me in a similar predicament. But he added that we were close to his and he dearly wanted to see his child. Would I accompany I consented, and after much travelling we arrived at his home. There we stayed about hours, and his wife and child came back to the main road to bid good-bye. The parting was most touching. Tears were streaming down faces, when suddenly some shots out, and the child fell down, killed by a bullet in the head. A shriek the mother, and another volley her as a victim. Then we saw a man, and I had to drag the wounded man away from the sight of his loved ones. Coming to me, and dashing his tears away, he said by a route he knew, until finally we reached our lines again.

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