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## OPEN LETTER TO I. M. N.

### QUISITIVE.

Dear "Question Mark",—

I feel that some person, Sapper, Driver or otherwise, should have got busy a week ago and enlightened you somewhat, or, at any rate, endeavoured to lift the haze which is evidently clouding your brain. Your questions have been troubling me for the past two weeks, and the more I thought it over the more I felt that somebody should give you a call down for your gross ignorance, hence my jump into black and white.

I will take your questions in order and endeavour to help you out to the best of my ability, although some of those same questions are very elementary to say the least.

Question One. (Page eight, "K. & L.", Sept. 21st, 1918).—It appears to me that rank does not count in the E. T. D. Soccer team. As a close follower of our team I sincerely believe that every team representing the E. T. D. to date was the very best possible.

Question Two.—Judging by the class of player playing on the E. T. D. team it can safely be left to a one man selection. The judgment of this one man has been sufficient to bring very satisfactory results up to the present.

Question Three.—Because the Sergt. has proved his ability to fill his particular position better than any other man. This question must be put down as being of a "malicious intent" calibre.

Question Four.—We must hand it to "Wee Jimmie" for putting up a first class exhibition of soccer but we don't blame him for the size of our sick parades. Soccer is a strenuous game.

Question Five.—Cpl. Hardy assures me that a lecture on "How to score from a penalty kick" is hardly necessary when the home team have a bunch of goals ahead. "There's many a slip in the penalty area." Some of those on-lookers might find this very true if they would only try just once.

Question Six.—If I. M. N. Quisitive will keep himself informed he will find that this is a matter which can safely be left to the discretion of the "Knight of the whistle". See the point?

Question Seven.—"Wee Davie" is one of the best, but it is invariably found that halfbacks are not noticed as much as other positions. We must blame the scribe for omitting such a dandy player as "Davie" in his report.

Question Eight.—Please don't blame those Sergeants. It is their

only chance for a comeback, as fighting is not allowed on the parade ground. Some of those Sappers are enough to "get the animal" of any Sergeant on drill parades.

Question Nine.—(Superfluous).

Question Ten.—This is your one big hit, and helps your previous questions a whole lot. The boys are willing I feel quite sure, but we cannot attain the impossible, and, inquiries I have made go to prove that it is not the fault of the Depot that more games have not been staged. We hope for more games like the Vickers and G. W. V.'s gave us.

In conclusion, as I. M. N. Quisitive asked these ten questions, I hope he is not disappointed at the replies thereto but rather that he will have derived much benefit therefrom.

"Mud-Lark".

### JUST SO.

"Will you go to Siberia?" said the Colonel to the Sub,  
"Where you'll see the Borealis and chase the white bear's cub,  
Where the days are short and fleeting and the nights are six months long,  
And there's nought to break the stillness but the walrus' dismal song."

"You bet I'll volunteer to go," the brave subaltern cried,  
"Though the cold should freeze the marrow and the sun does not abide;  
For the way unto Siberia lies along a golden trail  
Against whose pleasant fancies no argument can prevail.

Oh, we travel to Vancouver where we stay a month or two,  
Which is surely pay enough for me to see any danger through;  
Then we go to Honolulu, that isle so bright and fair,  
And we dance the hootchy kootchy with the Lulus living there.

And then it is to old Japan where the Geisha girls serve tea,  
Oh, there'll be welcome, from them for all of us you'll see;  
And the path is strewn with flowers to that land so grim and cold,  
So we'll volunteer to-morrow," said that Lieutenant bold.

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