



“He’ll travel to Berlin across the Rhine,
“Wi’ his 85th Highlanders, bonnie and fine.”

woods, plow the fields, work in the mines, fish in the sea, or work in shops and offices, to leave the peaceful occupations to go far across the sea to fight the faithless Germans. But if the Nova Scotia men do not cross the sea to fight the Germans in France, the Germans may come to Nova Scotia and take or destroy our farms and houses.

So you see I really need your help very badly. You must help me to raise these 3,500 men. You may say to me, “What can boys and girls like us do?” Well, you can carry this letter home and show it to your father and big brothers and you can ask them to come with me and other grown up Nova Scotia school boys in the defence of Nova Scotia, Canada, and the Empire. Also ask them to write to their friends and relatives not now living at home, to return to Nova Scotia and enlist with us in this great cause. Then, on your Nova Scotia Schools Recruiting Day, you can sing the songs of Britain with your whole voice and heart and soul. Or if you have a piece to speak about the brave deeds of some Canadian soldier boy, you can speak it and be proud that you too are a Canadian. Perhaps you may touch the heart of some grown up boy in your village and be the cause of his joining the Nova Scotia Highlanders.