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NO 15

## ANOTHER INTERESTING LETTER FROM SERGT. HARRY LANTZ

Written to His Father, Mr. G. W. Lantz of Centreton

No. 1 Canadian Casualty Station, Flanders,

June 17, 1915.

Dear Father:—

I have been in what is known as the firing zone and in easy reach of the guns, and should like to stay there all the time.

I went with the paymaster to the first British C. C. S. where our boys are attached, that is one part of the company. They are the nearest hospital to the lines back of the Bagge. Our men have a canvas hospital (that is marquee tents) enough to accommodate nearly five hundred patients, and the main hospital about fifteen hundred and perhaps more if it were necessary.

This was my first real glimpse of France except from a cattle car on a wet day, and certainly I was greatly impressed with what I saw. We travelled some twenty miles and all the way through rich farms with an occasional village with their brick houses and red tile roofs. I was surprised to see so much grain growing and, strange of all, in one block (the places are not fenced) would be wheat ripening and next to that, one just coming up. You see the season here is very much warmer than ours at home. We have been able to buy local strawberries for more than a week past and have green vegetables of all kinds here for some time past.

As we rode through the country in our little Ford ambulance I began to appreciate what our journalists write about the destruction and cruelties of war, and one could not help noticing that all the farmers are women and girls, with an occasional old man among them.

While I was at — I visited an aerodrome where there are about fifteen biplanes. I saw them at close quarters, and going up and descending. They are quite simple and pretty safe. They are able to render great services to the staff by intercepting the enemies' messages, and so on, and time to prepare to counteract it. They have a remarkable small number of casualties when we consider their liability.

Last Sunday I saw the King and Queen of Belgium as they passed through the town here. I did not know them at the time, but soon found out that I had seen royalty. The same afternoon I saw a big church parade here, if being, I think, the third communion or something of the sort. The town was decorated with floral shrines, bunting, flags, etc., and the

parade bore many banners bearing invocations and prayers.

I think seriously of having my picture taken tomorrow, and will send you one if they turn out good.

We have had two operations for appendicitis already today, and one to follow in a short time now, but will not be able to see it owing to kitchen work. That is the part that galls. Still it is necessary I suppose.

I mailed two small parcels yesterday containing a pair of slippers which were made by the prisoners or inmates of Fort Gossion and these are for Hazel, also a black watch buckle, or rather badge for a belt buckle. The motto is "Let no one assault me with impunity." This was given me by a corporal of the 14th, who had met some people of Acadia and so through inquiries met me. The buttons Hazel can have for hat pin tops if she chooses as I believe they are quite the thing now. The book seemed to be worth reading especially if one reads any of Carlyle. The razor is one I got from a chum in England and has been in my spare kit ever since as I did not need it and could not get blades easily, but thought Gordon might like it, the blades etc. are not expensive. One has to learn to use a safety razor of any sort.

Suppose school will be over when this reaches you and Beecher will feel relieved for a time at least. I have seen a postcard of what would have been my class picture, also a letter from Mosher and saw the Halifax Herald's full account of the closing. I notice by Monitor that Fletcher and Bagnall were among the fallen, but it was a false report until a few days ago at least, as V. K. Mason saw them both and they were well; but Gregg was wounded and is now in England. Acher is also there yet.

I would not be surprised if you address my mail the same for another year at least as the prospect for an early peace is not bright.

And now I must say good bye. Was talking to a 17th fellow from Amherst who new Tom Chipman by name at close, and he said that most of the ones I knew at least were still in England.

Love to all,

HARRY.

By a recent census the population of Massachusetts is stated to be 3,365,416, a gain in the past five years of almost 300,000. Boston's population will be between 725,000 and 730,000, an increase of 5.8 per cent.

A number of Canadian women living in Santa Monica, California, have formed a society to knit and sew for the Canadian soldiers in active service which is known as the Maple Leaf Club of California.

## CHERRY CARNIVAL AT BEAR RIVER

List of events to be held on Cherry Carnival day, Tuesday, July 27th at Bear River, N. S.

- 10.00 a. m. Grand Parade crosses bridge.
- 10.45 " Indian Canoe Race, 4 prizes.
- 11.15 " Boys Canoe Race, 3 prizes.
- 11.30 " Log Race, 4 prizes.
- 11.50 " Boys Swimming, 3 prizes.
- 12.00 " Canoe Tilt, 3 prizes.
- 12.30 p. m. Log Burling, 4 prizes.
- 3.00 p. m. 100 yards, 2 prizes.
- 2.15 " Sack Boys, 5ft. tall and under, 2 prizes.
- 3.30 " 220 yards, 2 prizes.
- 2.45 " 230 yards, Boys 5 ft. tall and under, 2 prizes.
- 3.00 " 3-legged, 2 prizes.
- 3.20 " 440 yards, 2 prizes.
- 3.00 " Trap Shooting.
- 3.50 " Exhibition of Fancy Shooting.
- 5.30 " Ball Game.
- 8.00 p. m. "Mock Initiation" by members of Friendship Lodge I. O. O. F. in Oakdene Hall.

## CAMP MEETING AT BERWICK

The Camp Meeting at Berwick will open this year on August 3rd at 7.30, p. m., and continue for a week, closing on the evening of the 11th. The evangelist will be Rev. C. A. Williams, Pastor of St. James' Church, Montreal, a man of personal magnetism and exceptional power. Dr. Salem G. Bland, of Wesley College, Winnipeg, will deliver a series of addresses during the camp. Everything is being done to make the meetings a success and fruitful in results. The Association has issued a booklet giving full information about the meetings and accommodations and reduced travelling fares. Any person can have this booklet free by dropping a card to Rev. I. A. Smith, Secretary of the Association, Berwick, N. S.

I fell from a building and received what the doctor called a very bad sprained ankle and told me I must not walk on it for three weeks. I got LINIMENT and in six days I was out to work again. I think it the best liniment made.

ARCHIE E. LAUNDY.

Edmonton.

About 400 Calosoma beetles imported from Melrose Highlands, Mass., to destroy Gipsy Moths, have been liberated in Yarmouth, Metegan, Weymouth and Digby. It is said a pair of these beetles will eat 4000 Gipsy Moths during their life.

## THE WEEK'S WAR NEWS

### Warsaw Being Gradually Evacuated by the Russians

LONDON, July 20—The Morning Post's Budapest correspondent reports that the gradual evacuation of Warsaw has been ordered by the Russians.

LONDON, July 19—Can Warsaw be held, with the German Field Marshals Von Hindenburg on the North, and Von Mackensen on the south, whipping forward the two ends of a great arc around the city? It is realized in England that Grand Duke Nicholas, Commander-in-Chief of the Russian armies, has the most severe task imposed on him since the outbreak of the European war, and the military writers of some of the London papers seem to think that the task is well-nigh impossible.

There was sustained confidence that Germany's previous violent attacks on the Bzura-Rawka front would never pierce the Russian line, but the present gigantic co-ordinate movement was developed with such suddenness and carried so far without meeting serious Russian resistance, that more and more the British press is discounting the fall of the Polish Capital, and, while not giving up all hope of its retention, is pointing out the enormous difficulty the Russian armies have labored under from the start by the existence of such a salient.

Having been unable to straighten out their line by an advance through East Prussia, in the north, and Galicia in the south, the Russians have perpetually faced the pincers of the Austro-Germans, and if these can now be sufficiently tightened Warsaw must go, and with it the entire line.

### French Inflict Heavy Losses on the Enemy

PARIS, via London, July 18—The following official communication was issued by the War Office tonight:

"In Artois, there was a somewhat violent artillery duel around Souchez. About ten shell of large calibre were fired into Arras.

"On the heights of the Meuse, sharp infantry actions have occurred. By a counter-attack this morning we captured a trench section which the enemy had occupied yesterday on the ridge south of the Sonvax ravine.

## WAR BRIEFS

The Kaiser declares that he uses "K" bread, as do his soldiers. But 20 motor cars follow him on his travels, 3 of which are fitted up as kitchens, and 2 as dressing rooms.

About 66000 persons belonging to congregations of the Church of Scotland are in some branch of the army or navy.

Experts recommend steam sprays to prevent the effect of the gases used by the Germans. Bromine and chlorine used in the gases are soluble in water and they unite with the steam and fall with it to the ground in rain drops.

The New Zealand pension law provides pensions for the sons of soldiers till they are 18 yrs old and to the daughters till they are 21, as well as to the widows.

Boys playing "Germans" in Malton, England, tied a companion to a stake and made a fire under him. The boy was badly burned before he was rescued.

The war has prevented fishing in the North Sea. Consequently herring and other fish have multiplied greatly and will be on sale in large quantities when the war is over.

Report comes from Switzerland that Germany has ordered 15,000 motor sledges in anticipation of another winter campaign.

Sir Edward Grey has been obliged to take a vacation in order to rest his eyes, which were giving him trouble.

A Russian submarine in the Black Sea, sank two Turkish Steamers and a sailing vessel, loaded with coal and provisions. It then drove ashore three armed schooners at the mouth of the Bosphorus.

France and Germany have agreed to exchange the doctors, chaplains, apothecaries, nurses, stretcher-bearers, and administrative officers of the sanitary service now held as prisoners.

Lieut. Cyril North, a former Mt. A Student, wounded in Hill 60, but expects soon to be back at the front. German submarine, U. 51, reported to have been sunk in the Black Sea.

The Italians strongly fortify the mountain passes which they take from the Austrians.

British Government has given orders to the Sinn Fein, an Irish Society which has been stirring up rebellion, to leave Ireland at once.

Germany has ordered the Vorwarts, a paper leaning to Socialism, to suspend publication for a time, because it has spoken too freely in opposition to militarism.

The German protected Cruiser, Konigsburg, 3345 tons, which had been hidden in the jungle of a South African river for some months, has been destroyed by the British; aeroplanes helped the guns to locate her.

President Wilson has not yet answered Germany's reply to his note respecting the Lusitania. But, he is reported to have said he will not yield anything from his former position.

One million shells are stored up in Canada, waiting the brass caps which contain explosives. An alleged German spy has been arrested in Halifax, and others suspected of being spies are closely watched.

Vessels in Canadian waters are being warned by the Dominion Department of Marine against German submarines. The British Government has ordered \$2,500,000 worth of jam from the Canadian jam makers. Of this amount 90 per cent goes to Ontario because the demand can be met there.

Enlist! Enlist! is the word in Canada as well as in England today.

## THE ARCH-BISHOP OF NOVA SCOTIA HAS ISSUED THE FOLLOWING TO THE CLERGY OF HIS DIOCESE

Bishop's Lodge  
11 Lucknow Street  
Halifax, July 15th, 1915.

To the Clergy of the Diocese of Nova Scotia:

My Dear Brothers:—I feel it is my duty to draw your attention to the present war situation and the demands which that situation makes upon every loyal Briton.

Briefly the situation is this:—The Empire is in need of men.—Read the appeal of Lord Kitchener, study the reports of Sir John French, consider the statements of officers and men who have returned from the front and you must be convinced of the necessity for sending thousands of reinforcements if we are to win.

At the same time picture to yourselves the terrible scenes that have been enacted in Belgium and elsewhere, examine the report of Lord Bryce, remember the inhuman methods adopted by the German army and the conviction must be forced upon you that the only way to save our own homes from rape and destruction is to crowd our men to the front and hold the enemy where they are until they are beaten and their resources exhausted. If we fail in this our lines will be broken through and the battles fought on English and Canadian soil.

The more we send, the fewer will be our casualties, and the greater the encouragement to the brave men who have been winning fame for themselves and for Canada.

In the face of all this it is a matter of grave anxiety and disappointment to hear that there is a lull in recruiting and that men are not coming forward to join the Colours in anything like the numbers expected of Canadians.

I am sure it is the duty of everyone to use his influence to arouse the spirit of our young men and to influence them to respond to the call of King and Country.

What are you, as the spiritual leaders of the people, to do?

FIRST and before everything else you must get your people together for prayer, and, to that end, special services and prayer meetings must be held, that all may join in earnest intercession and appeal to God who alone is the Giver of Victory. The more we can get the people on their knees in deep humility before God, the more we may hope to hold up our heads in glad satisfaction at the ultimate triumph of right.

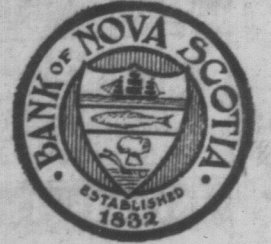
But the faith which draws us to God in prayer must be proved by the work it prompts. The call to arms is insistent, and comes to every Canadian, and awaits an answer. What is yours? Those who cannot serve in the battle front may "do their bit" by stimulating those who can. Now is the time when success or failure depends on the active loyalty of every Briton. The fighting men, the toilers in factories and mines, the sailors, the Red Cross workers, the religious leaders—all must rally to the cry, "Watch and Pray" and all must use to the greatest advantage whatever talents God has entrusted in their keeping.

Make no mistake, not only is Canada at war, but Canada is in danger unless we arouse ourselves from a state of contented lethargy and recognize our duty to be more than spectators and critics in the Titanic struggle for freedom, right and truth. What each can do must be a matter for each to decide. But the call is to all—young men and maidens, old men and children. AND THE CALL IS NOW.

I am,

Most truly yours,

CLARE L. NOVA SCOTIA.  
Metropolitan



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Capital - - - - - \$ 6,800,000  
Surplus - - - - - 12,000,000  
Total Resources over - - - - - \$9,800,000

## The Bank of Nova Scotia

BRIDGETOWN BRANCH  
J. S. Lewis, Manager

## "MT. ALLISON" EVENING AT PROVIDENCE CHURCH

A very enjoyable evening was spent in the Methodist Church on the 19th inst., by former students of Mt. Allison Universities. The exercises were twofold. First, in the auditorium, after devotional exercises, addresses were given illustrative of the character of the institutions and the facilities offered to young people seeking the opportunity of education along the various lines of present day necessity. The Rev. B. C. Borden, D. D., the honored and successful President of the University, who is also now acting Principal of the Ladies' College, which under his management in previous years developed into such efficiency, spoke particularly of these two branches of the institutions and the Academy and Commercial College. Frank E. Wheelock, Esq., Ph. D., Professor of Physics and Dean of the Faculty of Applied Science, spoke upon matters under his particular oversight, embracing also his work as Chairman of the Committee on Athletics. Rev. H. J. Porter, B. A., who has been turned loose for the summer months upon the Provinces, in the interests of Mt. Allison, referred with his usual earnestness and vivacity to the duties devolved upon him.

The audience was then invited to the school room of the Church where the Pastor, Rev. A. R. Reynolds was master of ceremonies and a very interesting program was carried out, consisting of songs, recitations, social intercourse of friends, refreshments, interspersed with informal speeches by a number of gentlemen in which wit and wisdom were happily intermingled.

A Mount Allison Association was organized, with the following officers: President, Mrs. F. R. Fay; Vice President, Mr. W. A. Warren; and Secy., Miss Mary S. Jost. The singing of "God Save the King" closed the exercises of this very pleasant occasion.

ONE PRESENT

Last Wednesday, July 14, was the hottest day in Boston this season, the thermometer registering 90 at 3 p. m. It started at 65 at 1 in the morning and at midnight stood at 72. There were a number of prostrations but no deaths.

Enormous catches of codfish are being made in various sections of the eastern coast of Newfoundland the past few days, being in some places the largest ever known.

## Royal Bank of Canada

INCORPORATED 1869.

Capital Paid up - - - - - \$11,560,000  
Reserve Funds - - - - - 13,575,000

Savings Department Accounts may be opened with an initial deposit of One Dollar. Interest is credited half yearly.

Joint Account An account in the name of two members of a family will be found convenient. Either person (or the survivor) may operate the account.

A. F. LITTLE MANAGER, Bridgetown  
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E. B. McDANIEL MANAGER, Annapolis Royal.

## Bed Rock Prices

Table Oil Cloths, 22 cents

Table Damasks 30c to 60c

Sheetings 22 cents upwards

Shaker Flannels 6½ cents up

Curtain Scrims 13 cents up

Curtain Ends, (traveller's samples) 10c upwards.

White Crochet Bedspreads

White Dimity Bedspreads

White Satin Quilts

Checked and Striped Muslins 9½c up

40 inch White Lawns 9 cents up

Mulls or Nainsooks, Ginghams 6c up

Anderson's Scotch Ginghams, regular 25c for 13c

Best English Cambrics 13½ cents

Canadian Prints 9½ cents

White Long Cloths

Unbleached Cottons

Feather Tickings

Clark's Best 300 yard Spool 5½ cents each

My Aim: "The Greatest Good to Greatest Number"

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