

DICTIONARIAL ADDENDA

Conceived from Impressions Received Overseas

Army—What they told us we were joining three years ago.

Barber—One who amputates the hair of your head for 3d., and it is generally a threepenny haircut he gives you.

Cover—One of the few things you can take in England free of charge.

Dammit—A word used by officers only. Out of bounds to other ranks.

Enemy—The guy who sent you to Blighty.

Fatigue—Originally meant work, but now consists in dodging it.

Gramophone—An instrument of torture to some, but rather soothing to the excited nerves of seniors.

Home—The definition is but dim in our memories.

Inebriated—Estaminated. A state of elegant sufficiency.

Jam—A glucose of various consistencies and kinds. Sometimes used on a baseball.

Kamarad—Invariably the last word of a Fritz.

Lance-Corporal—Commonly called a military rank, but really a disease.

Mud—(See Flanders).

N.-C.-O.—A phenomenal species which lives mostly on ozone.

Ocean—The pond that separates us from home.

Pip—A common disease amongst the troops; both contagious and infectious.

Quid—\$5.00, split into denominations of bobs and tanners.

Ramsgate—A town. The population said to be descendants of Rip Van Winkle, which is still a well known family name, though now abbreviated to Winkle.

Side-walk—A trace of Roman architecture placed around Ramsgate stores and houses, now used as a pedestal for gossipers.

Trench—Panama Canal in miniature, inhabited by rats and men.

Unter Alles—The present position of Germany.

V.C.—A decoration you have won several times but somehow the authorities have overlooked.

Winkle—An invertibrate reptile used by the natives as food.

X-Ray—A light which penetrates anything except solid ivory.

Ypres—A peaceful village in Belgium.

Zoo—Home for returned Canadians.

Grayman.