

May 2nd, 1927.

Dr. A. L. Lockwood,  
164 Bloor Street East,  
Toronto, Ont.

My dear Dr. Lockwood:-

On my return at noon to-day from Ottawa I found your very kind invitation to take luncheon with some members of the Toronto Garrison next Saturday.

Thank you very much for the suggestion, but it will be impossible for me to take the night train on Friday owing to my engagement to join what I believe will be a highly interesting party that evening. As a matter of fact I am subpoenaed as a witness, and this demands my presence at a trial where the Rev. George Kilpatrick, formerly Chaplain of the 42nd Bn., will be tried for libel. On the occasion of the complimentary dinner to Colonel George Currie (formerly P.P.C.L.I.) just before his wedding, a letter was read from the Reverend George pointing out the harmful effects marriage had on certain ex-officers. He gave as examples Andrew Fleming, Hugh Scott and a few other well known members of the 42nd who have been married since the war. These latter have chosen to regard the letter as libelous and the Reverend George has been summoned to appear. The dinner takes place at the Hunt Club and the trial afterwards. As I said, I have been subpoenaed as a witness and I wouldn't like to promise anyone to catch any night train out of Montreal. In the circumstances I am quite sure you will see why it