

St. Anne's Military Hospital

STE-ANNE DE BELLEVUE, QUE.

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Dear Sir; I am a graduate of McGill University
Doctor of Veterinary Science, Class 1896.
I was Superintendent of the Food Inspection Department
of the City of Montreal for fourteen years, resigned,
and enlisted for war in 1914, first Contingent, after
receiving my Commission in the Canadian Army Veterinary
Corps as Lieut, promoted Capt. 1915, but have leaving
Montreal in 1914. I left my Diplomas in the City
Hall during the excitement of getting away, I forgot
all about them. After my departure, I am told they
were placed in the vault of the Archive Dept.
so that I could call for them when I returned, but
I did not get back for good, until Sept 20th 1919
on the Red Cross Boat Araguay, and Red Cross train
from Halifax to Ste Anne's Military Hospital and
then in 1920 transferred to the Orthopedic Hospital in
Toronto, still a patient, with Arthritis, as
a result of Rheumatic Fever, overseas, from which after
all those years, I am suffering a relapse at the present
time, here, as the Dept. of Pensions and National Health
sent me here in an ambulance from my quarters
in Montreal. I am still in bed, but improving slowly,
I am writing you this history to show how I lost my
Diplomas in the fire of the City Hall Montreal 1922.
I did not get discharged from hospital and placed on