

TRAIN TRIP OF THE 26TH TO THE PORT OF HAVRE

Traveled by Freight But it Was on the Way to Home, Sweet Home

THE FAREWELL AT TAMINES

Belgian Folk Gave Hearty Send-off to New Brunswick Boys Who Had Helped Restore Them to Their Owns

The following is from an officer of the 26th—a joyous letter written on the way home from France on April 7.

Le Havre, France, 7-4-19
We're on our way home at last. We arrived here about three o'clock this morning, but slept about the train until six when we detrained. It was a good thing we did, for it is not likely many of us would have had any sleep at all for sleep was quite impossible when the train was in motion. It was entirely a goods train, or, as we used to call it at home, a freight train. The men had the floors of their cars covered with straw on which they put their blankets and were quite comfortable. We had bunks in our cars. I was unfortunate enough to have an upper "berth" and I am still dizzy in consequence.

"We were two nights on the train, having left Amiens about noon on Saturday and the only time it was possible to sleep was when the train was halted. The driver on that train seemed to have a grudge against all on board, judging by the way he stopped and started. The sensation was like being slammed against a stone-cruiser, then back against a brick wall, then a few horrible moments of dire suspense, then back to earth again.

The first night aboard when we were coming once again through the war swept regions we had left behind last September and October—the waste of shell holes, crater and trench—the chaps were betting two francs to one that the driver was "taking a short cut overland instead of sticking to the trench-mats."

However, we're here and in a couple of days we shall be once again in Bligny. We expect to reach Southampton on the 10th and go from there to Witely, not Bramshot, as at first supposed.

Farewell at Taminés.
We had quite a farewell on leaving Taminés. We had hardly believed there were so many people in the town, but they answered the last muster in great numbers and were out in such force to bid us goodbye that it was with difficulty we pushed our way through their ranks.

Many eyes were damp (among the circles), there was a lump in many a manly throat, as for the last time our band played "Le Brabant" and saluted our colors with "O Canada." Loud and hearty were the cheers of these good Belgian people as we moved off from in front of the Hotel de Ville—good, honest cheers, regret and good luck intermingling in their meaning. "Au revoir," "bon chance," vive le vingt-sixième—these and other cries were heard as down the cobble street we marched on our way to the station, leaving behind us a village in which for more than two months we have been well at home, hospitably treated, feeling rather citizens thereof than guests therein.

In almost every haversack was a lunch of some sort made up by some kindly-faced madame for her "enfants" as our chaps were fondly called in the various households, a parcel of bread and cheese, eggs, Belgian cakes, or all combined, for, said Madame, "You may be hungry on the train."

And again, as we passed in the train through the village nearly two hours later the crowds still lingered for a parting glimpse of their Canadian friends, a hand clasp and a last loving wish of "bon voyage." We shall always carry with us kindest memories of our stay in Taminés. Quiet and slow it seemed, old-fashioned in its ways, and every often were we "fed up" with the deadness of the place, but its people were the essence of kindness and did their best to make



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pleasant our stay. They have greatly suffered in the last four years and perhaps the tranquility of their village is but the continuing sorrow of the massacre by the Huns in August, 1914.

On the Train.
Our staff organization so far as the welfare and comfort of the troops in transit are concerned seems to have greatly improved. We were two days and nights in the train, but everyone was happy, well fed and comfortable (so far as is possible in box cars.) There were frequent stops for food, rest and cleaning up, and with song, games and the joyous thoughts of our home-coming the trip passed very smoothly. So well were our chaps looked after that one of them, an old-timer who had known reverse conditions remarked to his pal, "Say, Bill, they're givin' us a good wind-up—they must want to put us in good trim so we'll join up again in the next war."

Here are a couple of choruses which were among the many the boys sang as we came along. The first is to the tune of "Goodby-ee."

"Cherio-ee; here we go-go,
To our home, o'er the foam,
Tho' it's far away, we know,
We're just tickled to death to go,
To part-ee, toute de suit-ee,
We're the 26th Battalion from N. B.-ee.
Bon soir to France, tooleoo Belgium,
Napoo, Germany, Goodby-ee."

The second is to the tune of "Keep the Home Fires Burning":

"Clean your belts and rifles,
Pack your duds and trifes,
Say au revoir to Mad'moselle,
You're tout-fines,
No more dodging bullets,
No more pinching pullets,
The 26th it's bit's done well,
We'll now part-ee."

IN INTEREST OF THE CHRISTIAN MEN'S FEDERATION OF CANADA

Members of all the city church brotherhoods were present at a meeting held last evening in St. Luke's church under the auspices of the Christian Men's Federation of Canada. It was explained that the work of the federation was an effort to bring all the men of the world to see the ideals of Jesus Christ which alone would make secure the league of the nations proposed by the statesmen. Mr. Ward told of the efforts now being made to hold an international brotherhood con-

ference in London during the coming fall. The visiting speakers were William Ward, honorary secretary of the international brotherhood movement; William Heal, a member of the national executive committee of England; and Thomas Howell, general secretary of the Christian Men's Federation of Canada. The local clergymen assisting were Rev. I. W. Williamson, Rev. G. F. Dawson and Rev. J. C. B. Appel. George Knight sang.

E. Roy Fenwick, manager of the St. John branch of the Dunlop Tire & Rubber Company, has been appointed to the management of the Montreal branch. He will leave for Montreal in two weeks' time, his family following in the autumn.



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