October 28th, 1926.

Messrs. Hemphill, Noyes & Co., 37 Wall Street, New York City.

Dear Sirs :-

I am this morning in receipt of your letter of October 26th seeking certain information regarding Colonel A. L. Saunders.

Saunders began at the beginning of the war when he was a private in the ranks of the 8th Winnipeg Bn., which was in my Brigade. By his gallant conduct he won his commission in the field and rose by successive steps until at the end of the war he was in command of the Battalion in which he served as a Private at the beginning. When a man is promoted from the ranks it is more customary than otherwise to transfer him to another Battalion, and it speaks much for the respect which Colonel Saunders was able to command that the customary transfer was not advised in his case.

That he was a brave, capable and efficient soldier goes without saying. His record proves it. In his service he displayed the qualities of adaptability, application, common sense, and loyalty, which stand a man in good stead whatever his endeavour may be. I have had no experience regarding his business ability and so I can only recommend him for his manly qualities, which I most cordially do.

Yours faithfully,