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Major-General Sir A.H. Russell,
Hawkes Bay, N.Z.

My dear Russell:-

This letter will serve to introduce to you Lieut.-Colonel J. L. Ralston, C.M.G., D.S.O., who finished the War in command of the 85th Nova Scotia Highlanders' Battalion. Colonel Ralston served throughout with this unit, was four times wounded, and, as you can see, was rewarded for outstanding services. It gives me pleasure to say that he was one of the most outstanding officers in the Canadian forces.

In private life he is a lawyer and has won for himself a record at the Canadian Bar in keeping with his record as a soldier.

He is visiting New Zealand for the first time and I most cordially commend him to you. I am sure both of you will derive much pleasure from meeting each other.

I shall be glad indeed, Russell, to hear from you and to learn what you have been doing since I last saw you "over there". I shall always remember with pride that I had the honour to command your Division for some four days.

With all good wishes, I am,

Ever yours faithfully,