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you see by the press the bluff
is still being held by our people.

The situation at Redun seems
to be now at a standstill and the
general opinion is that it will
in reality be a victory for the
French.

We have had a touch of real
Canadian winter. about 6" of snow
and far more frost since 12 March
than we have had all winter. It
makes the roads very hard indeed.

We have foot rags to screw into
our horses' ~~feet~~ shoes but they are
not very satisfactory and soon
wear out. am sending Father a
cable today again. The
cessation was due to Sgt Casson's
illness. He kept a roaster of

Thursday
9th March

Dearest Alice

I am deeply your debtor as
far as letters are concerned and
in a good many other ways I am
sure. You have been wonderfully
good about writing to both Wood
and I and your letters are so
much appreciated and looked
forward to.

I have not very much news
as my diary letter exhausts what
little there is and you get your
benefit of its contents I know.

I am still anxious to know if
my diary book No III and a sealed

a little more freely. My squadron is to go back to the Cavalry Corps for some special training very soon along with other Divisional Cavalry Squadrons. This will take us a couple of days march to the rear. I suppose that it is partly in connection with the four machine guns we are to be equipped with. They are carried on special pack saddles on four extra led horses. I will make a nice little change for us at any rate. There is also some rumor of the Division going back for a little rest and another ^{Company} ~~Company~~ taking over line for a while. Everything has been very quiet this week and as

hundreds of old letters and papers ever reached home. I sent them registered on 3rd January and they should be with you by this time unless the mail has shared the fate of poor Wood's ring. I still feel very badly about that and partly responsible as I suggested his sending it, and now poor Alice has neither of her brother's rings to wear!!!

I have just had a note from Wood saying he was back in the firing line in about the same position as he occupied last summer. It is quite a little bit further than his last one but still within riding distance. As soon as I know exactly where he is I will look him up as I am not so tied down to my unit as he is to his and can show around