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deal of fun together. Sorry you  
have had trouble with your roses.  
They are wonderful both here and in  
England last summer and there  
are beautiful red poppies in every  
field. Good for Samay. He must  
have wakened up at last. Surely he  
could get a commission. The poor  
Pats (where the his Bill reinforcements go)  
have been cut to pieces for a third  
time. Faulker has been evacuated  
to England with dropsy so we won't  
likely see him again. I don't think  
anybody is very sorry.

Remember me especially to Tottie  
Fisher and her husband when next  
you see them. I will tell you the  
deal truth about Teddy Harris some  
time. My experience with fountain  
pens is that they don't improve with  
age and I would advise a new nib  
when it gets too bad. Hope you won't  
mind what I said about socks as

I use them as they  
are and appreciate  
them so much.  
Will you please  
short letters if  
you and send  
them often  
I love to hear  
from you  
Hh

July 11th

Dearest Alice

You have been so good  
about writing that I must drop  
you a line for this mail and  
thank you for your two interesting  
letters of 15th & 18th June and also  
for the socks which came a few  
days ago. Do you mind if I  
tell you that they are a little too  
long in the feet (mine are not very  
large ?!) and when I pull my field  
boots on unless I am very carefully  
there is a lump at the heel where  
the extra length bunches up. I am  
not criticizing my dear girl but  
thought you would not mind my  
mentioning it in case you are

working party. It is about 20 miles there and back so  
I have to think of the bases and I had one out all morning.

General Byng gave us a very thorough inspection  
this morning and I think on the whole was pleased  
but in my position I did not have very much to do with  
him. He had four more officers and 34 men  
added to us yesterday. We do not quite know for  
what reason but they will come in useful for our  
working parties.

I am sorry to hear that you have trouble with Father  
teaching Stephen bad habits, but I think if he <sup>(Stephen)</sup> saw you three  
smoking cigars!!! you must all be equally culpable  
in setting bad examples. You must know a great

good enough to make me anymore.  
I will give a pair to Leslie with  
your message and am sure he  
will appreciate them very much.

I asked Mr Ewen yesterday to  
indirectly find out about White as  
I thought you would prefer information  
in that way. He is most frugal  
and careful and I know stands a  
pound as so over quite a few  
of what he saves over here. His  
wife should be getting 40 to \$45 a  
month which should be ample.  
Personally I think they are both  
very careful and are hoarding up.  
I will give you default word  
before I close.

I am now sitting in my hut  
(3-45 PM) and am not going out  
this P.M. as I intend working down  
in front tonight to see our