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8 letters just in !! I have been
lucky lately and amongst them
Father's of Dec 17th

What I go through is nothing
compared with others, or more
dread compared with infantry and
artillery officers, as I live in
comparative comfort all the time.

My men officers of course at
times are much exposed and
all work hard men, if not in same
way as others. I fear I make too
much of what little we do, but do
so much to tell you things of
interest and all our movements.

I too have been most fortunate
as to leave and have had it about
every 4 months except 8 once in
1916. So glad you got little parcel
of Woods things at last. Sent them in
August and am sorry I ever kept
them. Hope Hamer will turn up
in due course, also glad about photo
of grave which took along time.
So glad girls and boys with

any for times
any thoughts
one of few with
you
any of the



Monday 14-1-18

Dearest Mother

Just a very few lines to
supplement diary letter and thank
you so much for thinking of me
and sending me so much in
the way of eats. They will be deeply
appreciated and everything on the
list is something that I enjoy
but really dearest Mother I did
expect anything and you are
altogether too good. Sometimes I
think we soldiers fare too well
especially now when things are
so hard to get at home (perhaps
more so in England than Canada)
that I often feel the friends and

sacrifice much greater than ours; and now that
supply of men assumed I may feel differently a
little later on about coming back, but feel I must
to keep this command for I year at least, and if
possible do something with it to demonstrate its
use and uphold the credit of my branch of the
army. Of course we already hope that next
months will bring a change in our favor. I
have felt several times before, but do feel it
now perhaps more strongly and therefore would
like to brood a little longer.

Am wondering if little parcels from Paris reached
you all as well as Libby's? but perhaps by soon
to expect acknowledgment but they must not register
and as was wondering

relations must deny themselves.
The pile of parcels that have
arrived the last few days (delayed
doubtless by Halifax disaster) would
make your eyes open.

Now I want to thank you for
letter of 17th Dec, the following
Sunday 20th and also one each
of Elaines which came last night
while I was writing, and Father
for bundle of (and two) newspaper
clippings, letter about Cox & Co
which I am taking up, and also
such a nice letter from Mr Morgan
which I will answer later.

Your own view of business
situation corresponds very closely
with mine, but I feel very
reassured by dear Father's recent
letters and am not concerned.

As I said yesterday your joint
letter to Sarah & me touched us
both very much as I know your