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IN REPLY PLEASE REFER TO BWL/W.

F.E. Leonard Esq.,

Redman Island, Port Carling, Muskoka, Ont.

Dear Father:-

I have just received your telegram and very much regret that it will be impossible for wither Ibb. or myself to get up for this week end. We are both quite busy here at the office and in addition we have considerable work at the Armouries, enrolling men for the contingent.

I got a telegram this morning from the Adjutant General authorizing me to enroll all the men I could get and have them medically examined and send the names to Ottawa not later than Wednesday morning next. We have already made a start and things look very promising. You will probably have seen from the papers how matters are to be arranged and of course sending a man's name to Ottawa does not necessarily mean that he will be accepted. They state that the individuality of each corps will maintained as far as possible, but just what they mean by that I cannot say.

We have secured the order for the two boilers for the hospital here and we have also sold the second hand boiler which came out of the Western Fair plant. The Montreal office has sent us in notice that they have sold a special 48" boiler, particulars of which are to come. Mr. Wheaton is away at Toronto and Mr. Lamond is here but leaves at the first of the week for a trip through the towns on the Georgian Bay.

Ibb. and I are both very comfortable at the Kennels and Mr. Skey is with us once more as the British Bank cancelled his holidays on account of the war situation. I hope you are having a good rest and enjoying the water and fresh air. With best wishes to all.

Yours affectionately,