

From the holdings of  
Western Archives, Western University

✓  
Valcartier Camp.  
16 Sept. 14.

Dear Mr.

I am enclosing a number of papers which please put in a safe place as I want them later for my scrap book. Among the number is a picture of my man Shirley on Peggy and a bill from the University Club which please pay.

There will also be a bill from the Brown Optical Co. for a pair of spectacles and repairs to another pair. I have instructed that it be sent to you for payment.

I was in command of the column for three days while the Colonel was on leave and I took charge during the review before the Duke on Monday. It must have been a very fine sight but those in the parade were not able to see a great deal of it even when mounted.

We are now nearly up to strength in

very poor  
not able to see a great deal of it even when  
mounted.

We are now nearly up to strength in  
both men and horses and our equipment  
of harness, wagons etc is coming in a little  
faster. The Colonel of the Montreal Highlanders  
said last night that he knew for a fact  
that part of the contingent is to sail next  
week and it is likely that everyone will be  
away from here by the end of the month.  
They say the transports are now being collected  
at Quebec and the necessary alterations made.

I am going to Quebec tomorrow and  
will spend a day or so there. Elaine wrote me  
from Montreal about suggested purchases but  
I will not do anything except to get a few  
minor necessities as clothing etc can be bought  
to so much better advantage in England.

The final list of officers is not yet  
published but the Colonel tells me that  
I am to retain my action and rank. He

also says that one Soggett is to go and perhaps Mc Gann. Harry Guenters will hardly get a place and on my advice he has already applied for a place on the Second Contingent and for Garrison or other duty in the interim. This is, of course, confidential so do not say anything just yet.

I passed the medical inspection the other day and will take my second inoculation towards the end of the week which will be the last, even this is not now compulsory. There is little or no news here as all we are doing is practically routine so I will draw to a close. Will write if I think of anything else.

yours

Wood.