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Dear Folkeat Home;

This is a very dull rainy day but we are laying off in an old French house so it is not too bad, we have a good fire & bed so we should worry. Solldung in France for the last month or so is the best I guess it ever was for the army as a whole. Fritz is going pretty lively these times and thats what we like to hear. I think the end must be near.

We cooked up some potatoes carrot & cabbage on our own this morning & had a big feed for dinner, we don't starve these times I'll assure you.

I rec'd your letter of Oct. 1st



some days ago, some ~~two~~ <sup>three</sup> weeks ago. I am looking for another one before long, I count on them every so long. Mabel's handwriting is improving a great deal, I noticed a different <sup>tone</sup> ~~point~~ in the last epistle, that is what I like to see.

I haven't seen R. M. Tadden since he went down the line. I don't know where he is keeping himself. We have seen him several times lately, going up & down the road with his team, he has a good job.

Thursday <sup>9th</sup> Well a snow was sprung on us just when I came to this stage of the letter so I am going to finish up now. We were doing nothing yesterday but I didn't feel like ~~writing~~ <sup>writing</sup> it, it was raining and I had a bit of a headache, but along come two boxes so that cheered me up a little. Yours of 7<sup>th</sup> of October, came fine, and we sure enjoyed what we have eaten so far. We have a nice room tonight for a billet but its from one place to another all the time, I suppose you follow it all in the papers, where we getting to now. I guess the end is pretty near now, at least: it looks that way to us all. It isn't over before you get this I think you better send me some more writing paper because I would have been right out only for what you sent me before.

Its funny to watch these Fr. abolitionists around here now, they are so glad they don't know how to act. They have to speak to us if they meet us fifty times a day and when we go marching by they clap and yell (I don't know what they say). One old



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lady yelled 'Long live Canada.' I think  
the people tho' they think the Canadians are  
winning the war. Some of them have awfully  
wrecked places to come back to, being that  
everything that is of good and smashed a  
lot of stuff he left. He was sure going to  
have some 'sauc' Kraut this winter, he left  
acres of cabbage. We have plenty of cabbage  
& carrots at his expense.

This influenza that is going around  
America and in fact all over I guess is  
bad isn't it? It was bad over here last Spring  
but not serious. Hope it does not go farther.  
Well I guess I will close for this  
time so Good night!

Love to all

Russell