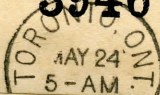


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Dear People at Home;

Rec'd your letter of April 8th
also box with maple syrup. The box came
in dandy shape, the bottle stood it good and
we had a well drap from the bottle tonight. We
ate the pie and declared it was the best we had
tasted since we left Canada.
(the honey is not done yet)

Well we have been getting it a bit rough
of late, Wed. we went out nine mile and back
and then Thursday a route march of 10 miles to Bramshott
Church to put the colors to keep and then when we
came back Brigade orders were a stand to. As soon
as supper was over we had to go out full pack on
parade ground but soon came in, but with orders
to be ready to move out in the morning. Well
Friday morning then Reville went at 3.15 and we
had to pack everything and leave camp as tho' to
France or elsewhere and beat Guildford, 8 mile at
9 A.M.

I never saw as many cripples before and when
we got back yesterday the fellows were ready to sleep
right out on road or any where.



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Alek Steward is Dis. orderly and he said if he had a shilling for every blister he let out Friday he could go on a weeks' leave.

Of course it catches a few but others can stand it and last night they were having a square dance in an A. Co. but before they went to bed. The Brigadier went out to meet us coming in and asked Major Moffat if he would send out ambulances, Major says 'No' I can take every man in and he did. The Brigadier pronounced the affair V.G., the best in the brigade.

They put the colors in Bramspott church where the fellows are buried who died. They had a ceremony and sounded last post over the graves.

Jack Robison from Tara is going back in a week or so. Some of the fellows were over to Bram today and he has gone on 10 days pass before leaving. He has been in the hospital for a long time now and I think they have pronounced it Tuberculosis. Say nothing about it because it would go home and it may not ^{be} as reported.

It is getting a little dry for the boys lately, the wet canteen has been closed for a couple of days. The beer supply is cut down they

can only get so much a week and when that is done they go dry. It may be cut out altogether if the war continues long enough but I think it would have to continue quite awhile.

I have another boil on my leg now just above my knee, it never rains but it pours, seemingly, Jim has five on the back of his neck, I never saw the like for boils lately. I think it is the food we get to eat.

It costs us nothing for postage now so there will be a little saving now.

I had another letter from Fyrs J. C. Hamilton so could answer it this time.

Is Uncle Robert not going to answer my letter? I must write him another pretty soon.

Well I think I will close for this time, I expect we will get another Canadian mail tomorrow, some boxes come today, they usually precede the letters.

Love to All
Russell