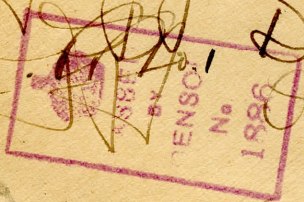


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France

Mar 29th / 18.

Dear Folk at Home:

Well this is Good Friday,
The funniest one I ever put in.

We are with our Battⁿ now
and pretty well up the line, the rest
came to an end just when we
came to the Battⁿ.

We are billeted in a horse stable
in a French town, and up against
an old turnip pulper which is here
no^{use} necessitates us to move our bed.

I like the new Battⁿ quite well, it
is quite different of course from our own
old Battⁿ but a change for the
better I think.

Stan. Martin was up to see us,
I guess we will see him quite often
as he is in our Brigade.

We have been getting our mail, I
got letters of Feb 8th - 10th, also the
box with cake & honey. The little
cakes were pretty badly smashed, the
rest was A.!

They are better fed here than in
Eng. bacon for breakfast every morning.
I suppose maple syrup season
will be in now. Will be expecting a
flask of it for a taste in a month or
so.

Ebenezer has certainly been
been going ahead on the Hockey. What
is the line up?

You ought to be take for heating
facilities now. did you put a register in
that room of ours up stairs?

I have not got cream yet, but
expect them before long. Just before you send
put in a little bit of blue ointment.

I suppose you will have heard
about the big storms of late. I think
Tut is getting up only just at present.

I saw a shiny plane brought down
the other day by our gunb. He came
down quite near our billet and after
awhile the guy went fast in an
auto, going to Headquarters I guess.

Since I have got over here and
saw some of our Patton's on

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The field I am more than ever
impressed with the likelihood of them
being just as good as all reports has
made them.

These French people are the dirtiest
mortals I have ever witnessed yet. They
have their barns loose & well right
together & the manure heap right out in
front. It's fun when they start to speak
off to us when they get a bit mad & we
can't understand a word. I don't know
which feels the more foolish when they
get like this.

Still I think this is about enough
for this time. Hope you are all well.
Uncle Robert is pretty nearly back to normal
again, he will be busy buying cattle these
times likely usually about his buying
time anyhow.

Love to all

Russel