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Rec'd my Le Enfield rifle - discarded
old Ross

Mrs. John Wagner,
R.D. #1, Sobbinton,
Ontario,
Canada.
carried it throughout
& back to Toronto

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Witley Camp.

February 23/17

Dear People at Home,

Rec'd your letter of Jan. 30 & enclosed money yesterday, had to go P.O. & sign for it.

I thought I would start this letter today & finish later. We haven't got the Canadian mail this week yet, it may come tonight.

I have been taking pictures on the machine gun all week, know all about it now. We all have to know how to operate one in case it comes into our hands, they are more numerous at the front than they used to be, about 18 to a Battⁿ now. It has been a great week just sitting around a table in the mess hall, half time talking about something else.

I saw Tom Longboat today, his Battⁿ had a field day so Tom was out. Jamieson an Indian beat him on the 5 mile race.



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J. is a noted runner too. Then I saw him run a dash in a relay race, he was ticked proper there.

We are having moving pictures taken of the Batt. in a couple of weeks so Major Moffat said today. It would be interesting for Bruce to see the boys working over here. When we were at the Ranges last week a Captain who takes pictures for the "Canada Magazine" took a picture of the bunch in the butts, in fact he took two pictures. He said if they were good that they might come out in the magazine. Of course it would be an interesting picture "160th Indians in Longmoor Range Butts" Capt. Little & I included.

Sunday Feb. 25th
Just returned from church service, a chaplain from some other Batt. preached. Jim Gorge came over last night from Borden, walked the 13 mile. He has had a felon on his finger this week.



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A Battⁿ left last night for France from beside us and you should have seen the stuff left behind. Trash of every nature was in those huts.

I don't know whether I will go to the ranges this week or not, our Battⁿ is duty Bⁿ so I may have to go on guard.

I was issued with my Le Enfield rifle this morning. My best friend hence forth; its the one we take across with us. (90427)

We haven't got any mail this week except the registered letter & a box of candy. There must be a big stack somewhere for the Battⁿ, we didn't get very much mail last week either.

I am sending some post cards I got in Tin Town. That Bramahett church is a pretty old place.

Well I guess I will close for this time. Sam Callahan came back yesterday. He is a failed boy but I guess if he is all right he will soon pull up.

Love to All

Russel.