

Somewhere in France

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Dear Mother Father Brothers
and sisters.

Just received your letters
of Dec. 13 - 20th also two from
Elizabeth dated Dec. 1st and
Dec. 26. and the enclosed letter
from Florence. I was certain-
ly glad to hear from you
and to know everyone is well.
It seemed our mail was
held up somewhere for all
the letters came in a bunch.
At this time I am in the
best of health, and sorry to
say I am getting fat.

I was sorry to hear of the death of
Aunt Lottie, it must ^{have} been an awful
blow to grandma, but things of that
sort must happen it seems. Mama
you were asking about my pictures
well; at last I had it taken and am
mailing them today. I had a few taken
in plain uniform but they were not
good so I did not send them to you.
you should have received quite
a few letters from me by now.

I explained in one of them about
the allotment and will mention
it again here. I have received the
first allotment here but have not
as yet sent it to you. I put this
money on high interest to a few fellows
in the Regiment (25% on the dollar) and will
collect it this ~~next~~ month. Mama
you should have now three allotments,
let me know about this as soon as
you receive it. I will mention in
this letter, that I received the nice
Christmas presents from every at home
and was very glad to get them,
everything was very useful and thanks

to everyone. I also received
the present from G. B. and
a few from different friends
I know. I intend to send
some presents home; but though
~~it is probable I would never get~~
back so I cancelled the idea.
There is lots of things I would
like to send, also many things
I would like to tell, but the
censor is very strict you know.
Papa I bet you are a funny
man these days at B/L.
It is too bad I can't help you
in the garden this spring but
it should grow better if I keep
away ha! Papa I wrote Uncle
Bob while here and got an
answer the other day. He was

glad to hear from me and asked
about you and the family.

The weather here is warm now
after a few weeks of cold. The
French people say winter is
gone and spring is here now.

Our whole company is doing
guard duty most of the time, with
the exception of a few of us
who are on military Police duty
in this city. We were just
speaking about the good luck
we have had. There has not
been a single man died in the
Regiment since it was recruited.
speaking of myself I was re-
cently promoted to corporal in

our company and was very glad to
get the place. It puts me in line for
something better later on, if I do the
work. Sunday was the big day for the
M. P.s. There was many soldiers in the
city on permission. It is our job to see
that they do not get into trouble and
cause disturbance. Our Sgt is a very
fine fellow, also the boys doing M. P. work
and we have a good time together.
There is many interesting sights in the
city. The museum with a collection
of arts and old relics some of the pic-
tures are masterpieces of great artists.
I was in a church yesterday built in
1400. and a few buildings built about
the same time. I wish ^{my} ~~own~~ and Elizabeth
soon. Willie must be some Banker by
this time? sticks to it with its better
than the army. But listen how do you
like the some Guards? Many thanks
mama for wanting to send me cloths
but am well served at present. I may
need some later on. If you can send
some tobacco. It seems tobacco is a
scarcity here. Mama you send one

of those pictures when you
have them taken well I will
close now, although we are
far apart I always have every
one of you in mind.

With the best of love for all
your Bro^r Son

George

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