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Nov.29/95

Mr. Stephen Maunder RR 4 Carlisle Rd. Hillsleigh Court Fredericton, N.B. E3B 4X5

Dear Stephen:

Please accept our belated (and red-faced) and heartfelt thanks to you and your helper for leaving your own work last summer to come and work with your father in restoring and re-erecting the John Saunders monument in Fredericton.

Your Dad's knowledge of what needed to be done, and the systematic steps he took to bring it about were gratifying to watch, but the final precision work of restoring the stone to its original state and position were due to you, and for that we are most grateful.

Sincerely,

(H.R.S.Ellis, Committee Chairman)

Box 159 Sussex NB EOE IPO

01 Nov 95

MGen GS Kells President Assoc of 8CH(PL) Inc

Dear General Kells:

With regret, I must tender my resignation from the possition of Association secretary, effective 31 Dec 95.

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I have thoroughly enjoyed my years in office and will always have the best interests of the Regiment and the Association in mind, but I feel the time has come to hand over to a younger Hussar.

Regi Patriaeque Fidelis.

FM Bickerton WO(R)



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20 Sep 95

MGen GS Kells 250 Keppoch Rd Charlottetown PEI C1A 7J6

Dear General Kells:

Jack asked that I forward to you

- 1. Copy of Letters Patent d/07 Oct 81.
- 2. Meeting agenda proforma.
- 3. List of Association officers 95/96, as known.
- 4. Minutes of general meeting 09 Sep 95.

REGI PATRIAEQUE FIDELIS

FM Bickerton WO(R) Secretary pro tem

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20 Aug 95

Robert Meunder 103 Glarence Ave Fredericton NB E3A 1V9

Dear Boo:

By motion carried at the recent executive meeting, I am firected to convey our most sincers thanks for all the hard work and planning you have put in to the refurbishing of Col John Sa**nders** monument.

This was a big job. The monument is important, not only to the flagiment, out also to New Grunwick as a whole, as Colonel Saunders was one of our early law-makers.

Ws are very grataful for your dedication to this tesk. Themk you Sob!

REGI PATRIAEQUE FIDELIS

FM Bickerton WO(R) Sacretary

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20 Aug 95

NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the Association executive will take place at the Milton Gregg Armouries, Sussex, on Sunday afternoon 27 Aug 95 commencing at 1400 hrs.

This will be the last meeting of the executive before the general meeting 09 Sep 95 and subsequent change of officers.

Any committee chairman unable to attend is requested to forward a written report to the secretary.

REGI PATRIAEQUE FIDELIS

FM Bickerton WO(R) Secretary

for



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26 Jun 95

NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the Association Executive will take place at the Milton Gregg Armouries, Sussex, on Sunday 09 Jul 95, commencing at 1400 hrs.

Any committee chairman unable to attend is requested to forward a report to the secretary.

REGI PATRIAEQUE FIDELIS

FM Bickerton WO (R) Secretary

for



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05 Jun 95

Oliver Conlan Killinaugh Carbury C Kildare Ireland

Dear Mr Conlan:

Further to our letter of 11 Apr 95, I am happy to enclose the information which we have been able to gather about your grand-uncle's service.

As you see, several agencies were contacted by two of our officers and I hope their success will be of help to you in you quest for Michael Patrick Conlan's story.

Yours sincerely,

FM Bickerton WO (R) SEcretary

H.R.S. Ellis Box 215 Rothesay, N.B. E2E 5A4

Ma June 4/95

Mr. Robert Maunder, 103 Clarence Ave., Fredericton, N.B. E3A 1V9



Dear Bob:

Your son told me you would not be returning from the Holland trip until May 31st, and I knew you would have a lot of catch-up to do when you got home; for this reason and because you have the hog-barbeque coming up soon, I didn't wish to bother you about the John Saunders burial plot.

After our noon Association directors' meeting in Base Gagetown today was over I went on up to Fredericton for a first hand look-see at the plot. I admit it looks pretty grim, but not hopeless. I think we should try and find people qualified to do the work and get quotes, perhaps in this order:-

- 1. Level base-stone. It is not practical to get a machine onto the site, but it should be possible to jack the low side up and backfill with gravel; even two or three crowbars and some strong backs might do it. The cemetery-care people might have some ideas.
- 2. Lift off ball dome if it will come.
- 3. Remove the tapered obilisk; it may mave to be taken down in pieces.
- 4. Clean, trim, and re-assemble obilisk, attach dome and re-erect.
- 5. Replace missing parts of wrought-iron fence:ll post-tops. 23' of fleur-de-lis trim on top rail (to be bolted on).
- 6. Eventually the memorial lettering should be made legible.

Bob, when you can spare some time for this, call me collect at 847-7261 or 755-2413(camp) and I can meet at your convenience. Sorry I can't make the barbeque - there is a badging, promotions and awards ceremony at the Cairn the same afternoon, with a program after.

Good luck,

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June 1, 1995

Dear Seis:

Chnclosed is a Cheque in the amount of \$10.00.

Il would clike a copy of " autolisagraphy of Princes

Louise" Regimental masset of 8th Canadian Hussans

(Princess Louise's) from 1944-1973, Ha story

"Right from the Horse's month" - 20 graps looflet.

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37 Gilson Good

moreton, n. B.

E16 213.

My father was in Italy when they found the colf. It's name is Roland C. Simpson. I de was a Grooper. Uf you should ever sell these leaflets please let me know. Yhanks.

Sincerely yours

Ideatha m. Sempson

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13 May 95

NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the Association Executive will take place at CFB Gagetown on Sunday 04 Jun 95.

We will gather at the Carleton Officers' Mess for brunch at 1100 hrs; meal tickets may be purchased at the bar. Meeting will follow at 1315 hrs.

Please notify your intentions to the secretary by 29 May 95.

Any committee chairman unable to attend is requested to forward a report to the secretary.

REGI PATRIAEQUE FIDELIS

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FM Bickerton WO(R) Secretary

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Box 159, Sussex NB E0E 1P0

12 May

GMT BADGING CEREMONY

Assuming approval of District HQ, regimental hat badges will be presented to recruit GMT courses 9402 and 9501 during an afternoon ceremony at the Fox Hill Cairn at 1500 hrs, Sunday 11 Jun 95.

Post parade activities include a band concert and BBQ/picnic. Wet weather programme will be held in the Milton Gregg Armoury.

Association members are invited to attend as spectators.

FM Bickerton WO(R) Secretary



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11 Apr 95

Capt HD Keith 12A Marloes Rd Kensington London England GB W8LJ

Dear Captain Keith:

I'm wearing two hats - black beret as secretary of the Association, blue beret as one of the organisers of the VE celebrations planned by Sussex Branch 20, The Royal Canadian Legion.

The Branch is putting together a display of militaria; G231 O'Donnell CB (Buzzy) gave me a plaque, brass mounted on wood with 8NBH hat badges in top corners and lettered

> " Presented to Fitters Gp. Comd. by Capt H Keith Highest Gp 7th Victory Loan Italy Oct. 1944 Brass from 105mm Shell Fired at Enemy by 8NBH Holland 1945"

The brass is discoloured and the wooden backing broken, but this is still an item of great interest, especially to a Hussar.

Buzzy has asked me to find a proper home for it once the display is over, and I wonder Sir if you would like to have it? After all, it was presented to you in the first place, probably.

I shall be happy to mail the plaque to you if you so desire.

London will be an exciting place during the VE celebrations, wish I could see my home town again!

Regi Patriaeque Fidelis

FM Bickerton WO(R)

SEcretary



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11 Apr 95

Oliver Conlan Killinaugh Carbury Co Kildare Ireland

Dear Mr Conlan:

You must think us very slack for the long delay in replying to your letter of 26 Jan 95, and I do apologize.

Since you had directed it to CFB Petawawa, it travelled eventually to the Regiment, which now is stationed in New Brunswick, and then on to the Association.

Your letter was read at the Directors' meeting last Sunday and I am directed to inform you that while the Hussars provided one formed squadron and several officers to the 6th Canadian Mounted Rifles, this unit was broken up in January 1916 and members sent to reinforce 4 and 5CMR. Unfortunately we hold no records of that period and cannot help you with information regarding your grand uncle's service.

However, we number among our members a senior military historian and your questions will be passed to him. If we learn anything I shall of course write again.

I wish I could be of more assistance and I understand your desire to know more of your uncle's service history, we must not let men like him be forgotten. As it says in the certificate given to the family of men killed in action in WW 1, "Let those who come after him see to it that his name be not forgotten."

Yours sincerely,

FM Bickerton WO (R)

Secretary

195 W. thaven Cres. Armour Canada Ottawa, Ontario K1Z 7G4 16 December 1994

Secretary Association of 8th Canadian Hussars (P.L.) Incorporated Box 159 Sussex, New Brunswick EOE 1PO

Sir,

I am writing to solicit your assistance. I have just completed an history of Canadian armour between 1914 and 1945.

It is the first and only book of its kind in Canada, and will be published early in 1995. Apart from regimental histories the picture of Canadian armour in most general Canadian histories relating to the Second World War This book emphasizes the Canadian armoured has been sparse. I think many of your members will enjoy it. picture.

To bring this book to the attention of Armoured Corps veterans and their friends I am arranging to I would like have an advertising circular or flyer produced. to arrange with you to include one with your communication to If you are agreeable could you let me know your membership. the number of your veterans on your mailing list. then arrange to send you the number of flyers you would require.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours truly John 7 Wallace

John F. Wallace

ex-12 Canadian Armoured Regiment



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01 Mar 95

Capt Richard Curator Base Museum CFB Gagetown Oromocto NB EOG 2PO

Dear Capt Richard:

At a recent executive meeting Major Jonathan D Daniels, was appointed to act as liaison between the Museum and the Association.

Maj Daniels is presently Second in Command of the Regiment, and may be reached at

8th Canadian Hussars (Princess Louise's) CFB Moncton Bag Service 6100 Moncton NB E1C 9L4

506 851-0788

FM Bickerton WO (Retd) SEcretary 29 Selley Street Petawawa, Ontario K8H 3G9

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WO F.M. Bickerton Secretary, Association of 8th Canadian Hussars (Princess Louise's), Inc. Box 159 Sussex, New Brunswick E0E 1P0

Dear Mary,

Many thanks for tracking me down.it was a delight to receive my copy of the latest Sabretache, and to read of all of the most recent goings-on in the Regiment.

We have been very busy here, as you can imagine. On the domestic front, we have finished our new home, and are enjoying it immensely. Please note the new address above. Militarily, it has been non-stop this summer: UN deployments, annual postings, court martials (Somalia), Warrior training (weapons, PT, and all aspects of fieldcraft), summer training and concentration... the list goes on.

I have been made to feel very welcome by the RCD. It is quite nostalgic to visit them in their Regimental lines, and to visit the places that I knew so many years ago when I joined the Hussars in 1968.

I saw two old Hussars last week, during a CPX for the SSF Headquarters: Majors Al Hamilton and Scotty Alexander. Both are in Kingston now, at 1 Cdn Div HQ. They were working as "Higher Control" while I represented the Brigade recce squadron. It was good to see them again, but the nature of the exercise did not allow a great deal of reminiscing.

I trust that the reunion went off well. I understand that Sharon got the latest Sherman to Jack Trueman. I hope that it was acceptable to the membership. Does Jack or the Executive have any suggestions for next year's model? If √ not, I'll do one from Holland, 1945. I have an idea for the 1998 model, but I'll work up the details before I give the suggestion to the Executive.

Best Wishes to all Hussars for a great Christmas season and an exceptionally successful New Year.

Yours sincerely,



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15 Feb 95

NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the Association executive will take place at the Milton Gregg Armouries, Sussex, on Sunday 26 Feb 95, commencing at $1400\ hrs.$

Any committee chairman unable to attend is requested to forward a report to the secretary.

Regi Patriaeque Fidelis

FM Bickerton WO Secretary

for



THE IRISH REGIMENT OF CANADA VETERANS' ASSOCIATION

February 6th, 1995.

Ms. Mary Bickerton, Secretary, Association of 8th Canadian Hussars (Princess Louise's) Inc., Box 159, SUSSEX, New Brunswick, EOE 1PO

ear Ms. Bickerton,

One of your Members, Mr. Guy Wallace, has referred me to you.

Each year our Association holds a Coriano Dinner, in September. This year we are contemplating a program to feature "The Mighty Maroon Machine". In the Toronto area there are many men, apart from our own Association Members, who served with the 5th Canadian Armoured Division. Would it be appropriate for me to ask you for the names and addresses of any of your Members who are in the Toronto area? If you would rather not give out this information could we ask that a word be put in one of your bulletins?

We would appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A. J. Paul La Prairie,

81 Cranbrooke Avenue,

Toronto, Ontario, M5M 1M3.



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29 Jan 95

Maj GW Barling 29 Selley St Petawawa, On K8H 3G9

Dear Gary:

Further to letter of 05 Jan 95.

This year's tank model is left completely to your discretion. I read your letter at the meeting this afternoon and am directed to tell you that given your expertise and meticulous attention to detail.....we leave it up to you!

Hope all goes well with you.

Sincerely,

FM Bickerton