



## Transcript

### Letters from W. Victor Tranter to family, A967.052

**994.052.018**

April 4 / 14

Dear Mother,

I am writing again, it is Easter Sunday and it is raining. I attended Easter Service here in a barn and it was just such a barn that our Saviour was born in. It was a large tiled roofed place like one speaks of in reference to the bible well I enjoyed the service but I believe I would sooner be in St. Pauls it always seemed like home to me. You can guess though that it was a very good service. The priest was a little Irishmen and it was certainly great to listen to the responses of four hundred men and to hear them sing St. Andrews hymn to the music of the mouth organ.

Well I hope all are well at home. You can show Mr. Hamilton the front page. It will save me writing a letter to him as it is difficult work. I would write more except for promise on Envelope. Well I hope that little Lionel is well and happy. Gee I would like to see him. Well I am well and so are the rest of the boys. I do not see Alex Scubby now. I saw Limpy Robertson the other day he is well. He is Pete Robertsons brother. Well I guess I will close.

With love,

Vic

**A994.052.019**

**Bustard, Jan. 30, 1915**

Dear Sister,

I am writing to you again this the second time to-day. I think we are going to put in two months

training in France, we may move any time I think it will be next Wednesday. Well I am sending

a parcel. I put a couple little Irish Green Marble pigs and a harp. You will have to polish the harp with ashes. It is pure silver. The marble the pigs are souvenirs of Ireland. The green marble

is found in Galway Ireland. Well we will be going to the South of France. Summer all the time somewhere near Marseilles.

Well Sister write to the usual address, we may not move at all and if we do we will get the mail anyway.

With love

Vic

**A994.052.020**

**Apr 22 / 15**

Dear Mother,

I am writing again and of course as usual cannot find much to say. I am well and I hope you are the same. I got a letter from Ella yesterday and one from Lionel the day before and they were good welcome letters too. I received the Beacons last night the first one in April & the last in March and was glad to get them. You can send that sheet of paper & envelope along each time and thanks for same I got a letter from Florence tell her I will write soon

With love,

Vic



**A994.052.021**

**May 7, 1915,**

Dear Mother,

I received several letters from you all at once and they were certainly like 5 franc notes to me. I sincerely hope that none of the papers have made any mistakes about us. Bert Meyers was very slightly wounded in the head. Arthur Robertson, who is with the third fourth batt., was wounded in the left arm. It certainly was a fierce advance. I had my right and left hand men shot down and the men that took their places were also shot. I had two rifle ball holes in my kit bag at the finish and I had to use a dead man's rifle, as mine was shot and broken so, I had some good chance to study the chances man has against the bullet and concluded that they were all against the man. We lost about two-thirds three-fifths of our battalion, killed and wounded.

Wishing you good luck and love,

From Vic.

P.S. Knowles and I have had a raise, and have been asked by our officer to consider it as a reward for work done in the field.

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