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Letter to Mrs. Elton Newman - October 31, 1940

The Wartime Correspondence of
Harry William Manchester

Harry William Manchester Descendant

REVISION HISTORY

The revision history for this publication and project for this artifact is listed below.

Version Number	Date	Change
1.0	1/7/2022	Original Publication.



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INTRODUCTION

This document captures and publishes one piece of correspondence (hereafter, “artifact”) from the collection of World War Two correspondence of Harry William Manchester, of Essex County, Ontario, Canada. Harry spent six years in the Canadian Army, in Ontario, England, and as a prisoner of war held in Poland; and during that period wrote extensively to his relatives and friends. The extensive correspondence Harry wrote to his sister, Mrs. Elton Newman of Cottam, Ontario, Canada was preserved by her, and constitutes the bulk of this correspondence collection.

As correspondence, this artifact contains a wide variety of properties, which reflect its content, markings, and references.

The purpose of this document is to capture that content, markings, and properties, so that the artifact may survive in this published form or be transferred to another form, and also to preserve the timeline of historical events in the context of Harry William Manchester. Photographic images of the original parts of the artifact are included in this document, and the reader is encouraged to review those images.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

This artifact is a letter from Harry William Manchester to his sister, Mrs. Elton Newman of Cottam, Ontario, Canada, that was written and posted from Aldershot, England, on October 31, 1940.

EDITOR’S COMMENT

Harry refers to [the date of the letter as] his father’s birthday (October, 31st, year unknown).

ADDITIONAL MARKINGS

The front of the envelope is marked "C.A.S.F." The reverse of the envelope is stamped "ESSEX SCOTTISH REGT. C.A.S.F. ORDERLY ROOM FOR MAILING"

CAVEAT EMPTOR

The editor has endeavored to provide the transcription of content below as an accurate depiction of the spelling, misspelling, grammar and prose of the original artifact, so that original practice and then-common usage is reflected in the transcript. This includes replication of any strikeouts or corrections in the original. However, the editor has had to apply an extensive amount of judgement and interpretation of the content of the original artifact. In the event, some marks on the original artifact may or may not be punctuation marks; they may be the result of dirt or smudges in the original.

In addition, many persons and locations are referenced within the content and markings, and the editor has endeavored to research and fully identify those persons and locations, within the properties associated with the artifact. However, the editor is constrained by “best available information” at the time this document is published.

Reader discretion is advised.

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All reasonable queries will receive a response.

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TRANSCRIPTION OF ARTIFACT CONTENT

Aldershot Eng.
October 31/40

Dear Sister:-

Well here it is Father's birthday. I wonder how old he would be if he were living I've thought of him a lot to-day.

I thought that money would come in handy. That's why I signed it to you. However I want you & Elt. to make use of it for whatever you can

Piper is okay. Only we still nagg the devil out of him The rest of the boys are the same. Everybody seems to have colds, but otherwise they're alright.

Thanks a million for the pictures Sis. I was sure pleased to get them. I was sick in bed when I received your letter on Tuesday & I haven't written any letters all week until to-nite

Jim Tweedale is writing to his wife & I don't know if which we are doing the most of writing or fooling. But I guess I'd better get busy cuz its nearly bed time

I am sending a picture that was in the Star. I remember when it happen just outside of Aldershot here. So I thought I'd send it to you

That is a school teacher pushing that truck (boxcar) Only they're one tenth the size of ours.

Well I wrote to Peg to-nite also sent La Verne's cigarette post card. I can't understand why you didn't get my letter for a month. I've never let it go that long without writing.

Well Franc I'll write some more some other nite. So just keep writing to me.

I will close now

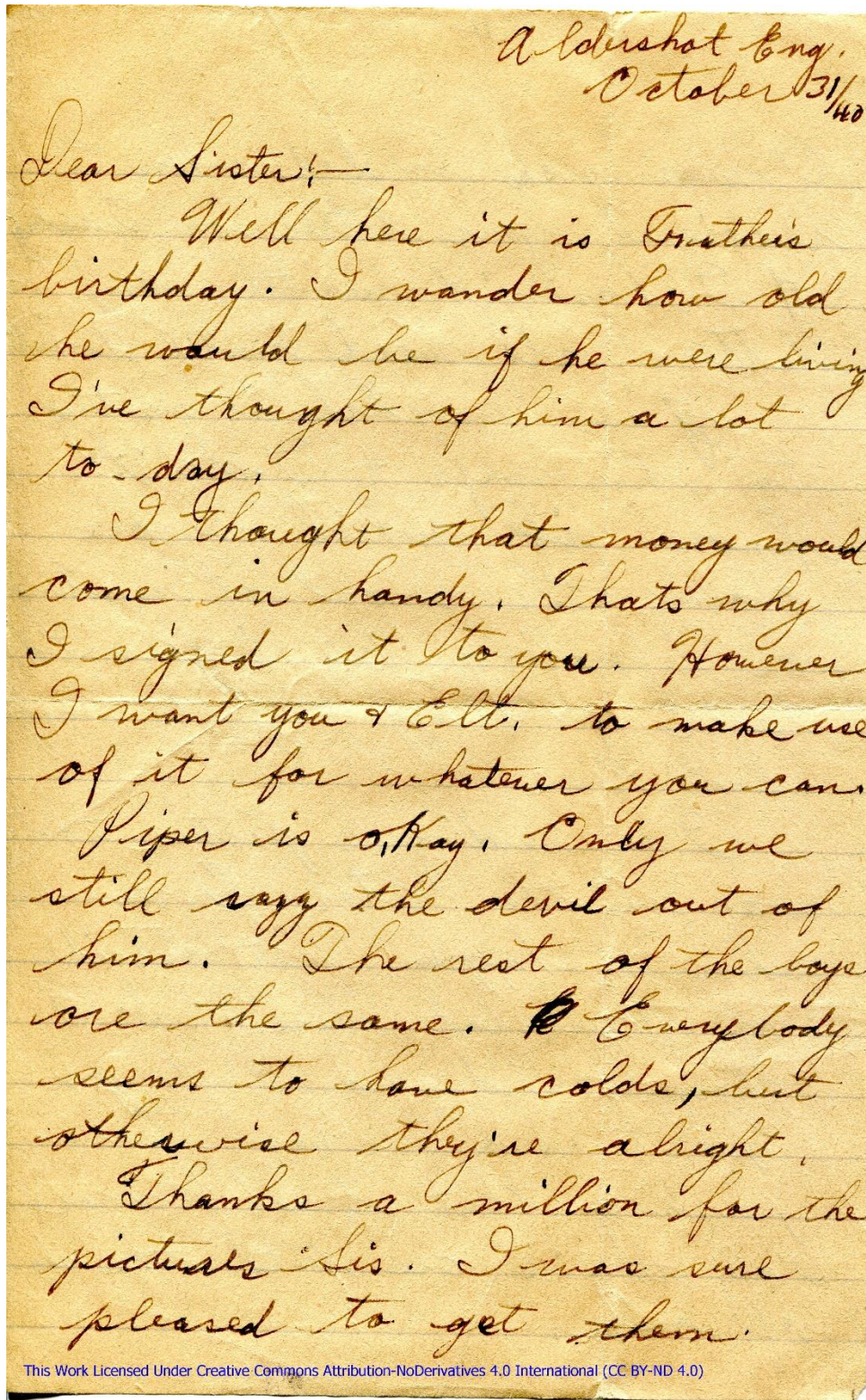
LoveX & Kisses

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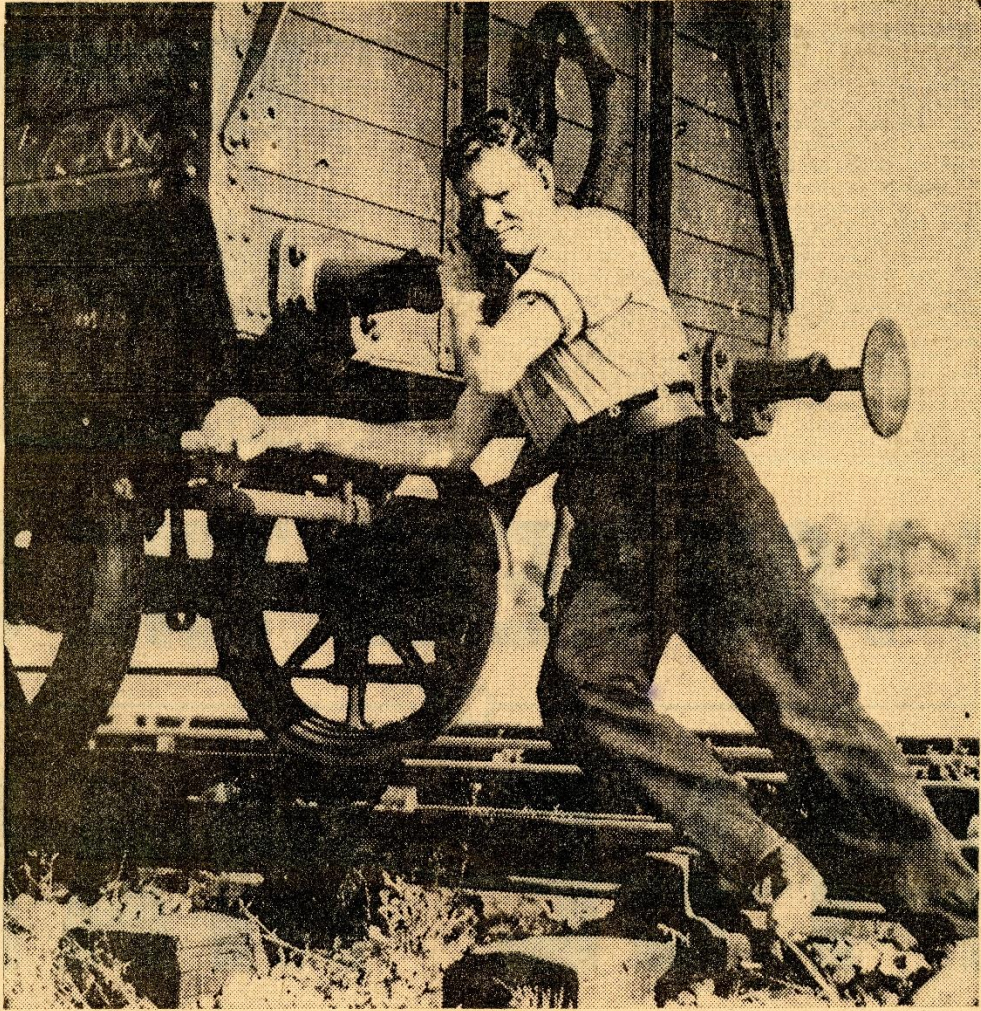
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DEMANDS HEPBURN ABIT

Death Defier Illustrates His Deed



FROM his cottage beside a southern railway line in England, George Keen (above), saw flashes the night of August 22. They were incendiary bombs—and were falling around an ammunition train of 50 wagons.

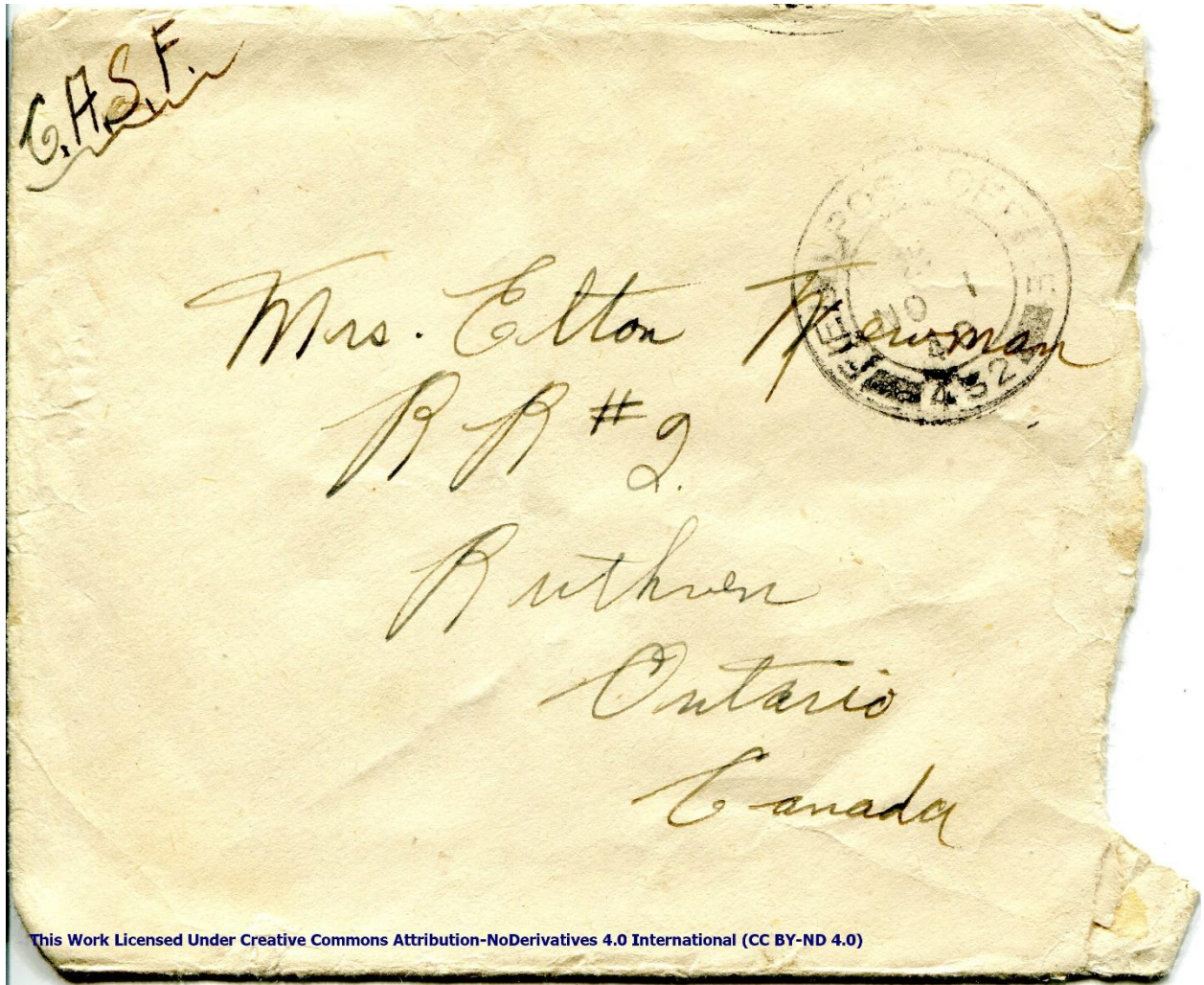
After seeing that neighbors were awakened and got away safely, he gathered volunteers and separated the blazing wagons from those untouched, saving many ammunition loads and perhaps the village. (A. P. Photo.)

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These Children Undaunted

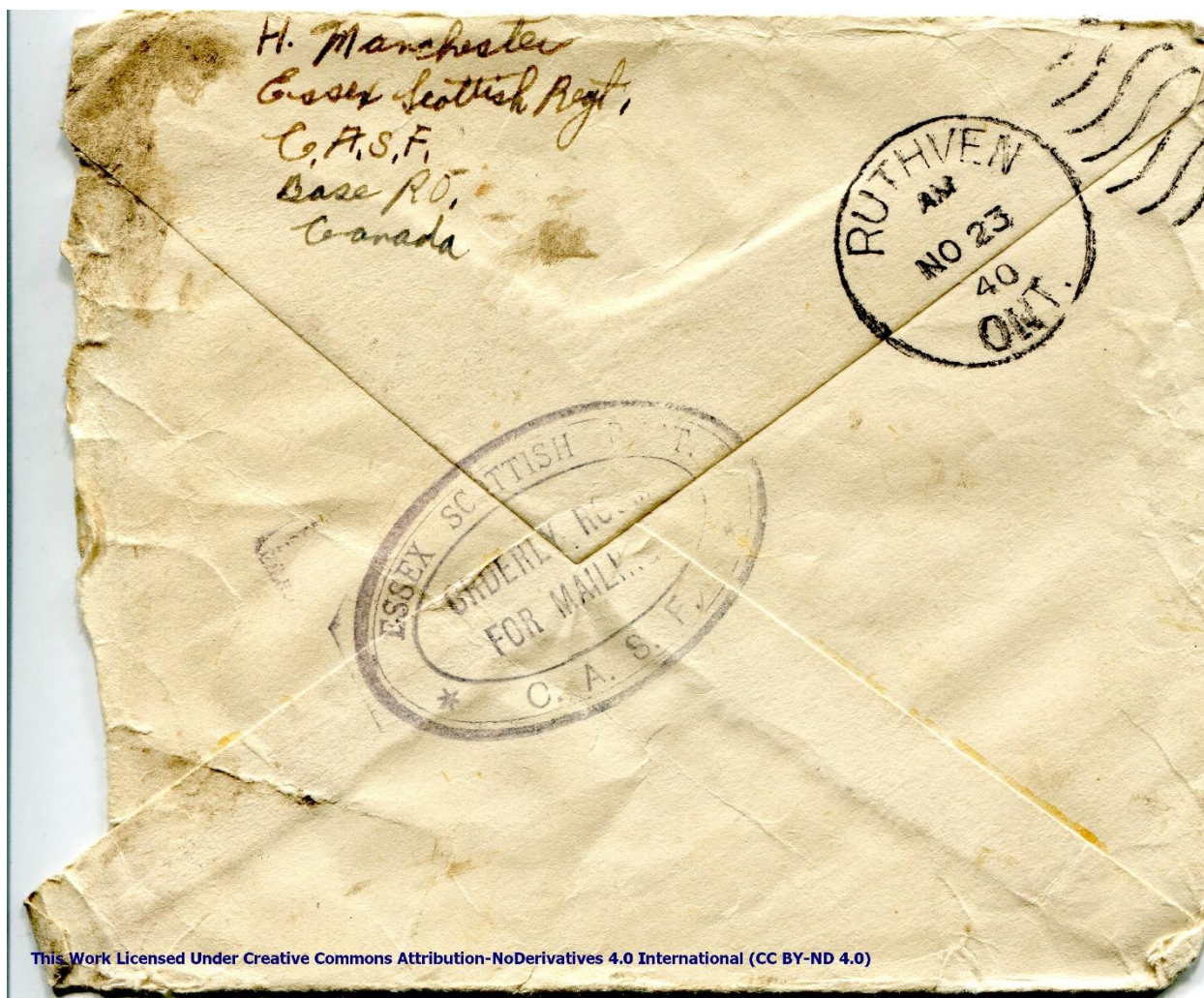
DAD MUST WALK
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ARTIFACT PROPERTIES

The properties contained within or associated with this artifact are listed below.

	Property	Value
1.	Artifact ID	Art-1940-10-31
2.	Artifact Title	Letter to Mrs. Elton Newman - October 31, 1940
3.	Artifact Type	Letter
4.	Artifact Description	Personal Letter to Mrs. Elton Newman from H.W. Manchester.
5.	Artifact Creation Date	October 31, 1940
6.	General Description/ Commentary	This artifact is a letter from Harry William Manchester to his sister, Mrs. Elton Newman of Cottam, Ontario, Canada, that was written and posted from Aldershot, England, on October 31, 1940.
7.	Origination Locale	Aldershot, England, United Kingdom
8.	Origination Address (for correspondence)	H. Manchester Essex Scottish Regt. C.A.S.F. Base P.O. Canada
9.	Origination Postmark (for correspondence)	FIELD POST OFFICE 432 NO 01 40
10.	Destination Address (for correspondence)	Mrs. Elton Newman RR #2 Ruthven Ontario Canada
11.	Destination Postmark (for correspondence)	RUTHVEN AM NO 23 40 ONT.
12.	Artifact Editor's Commentary	Harry refers to [the date of the letter as] his father's birthday (October, 31st, year unknown).
13.	Artifact Transcribed Content	Reference "Transcribed" section in this document.
14.	Artifact Categories List	1940, Frances Newman, The Essex Scottish Regiment, Aldershot, England, Canada, Letter
15.	Content Reference (Tags) 1	father, School teacher pushing boxcar, Jason Manchester, Jimmie Tweedale, Glen Piper, La Verne Woods, Elton Newman, Peg[gy]
16.	Content Reference (Tags) 2	Aldershot, cigarette post card, illness, money, {Windsor} Star
17.	Categories Reference - Relationships	father
18.	Categories Reference - Events	School teacher pushing boxcar
19.	Categories Reference - Locations	Aldershot
20.	Categories Reference - People	Jason Manchester, Jimmie Tweedale, Glen Piper, La Verne Woods, Elton Newman, Peg[gy]

	Property	Value
21.	Categories Reference - Organizations	None.
22.	Categories Reference - Facilities	None.
23.	Categories Reference - Other	cigarette post card, illness, money, {Windsor] Star
24.	Additional Markings	The front of the envelope is marked "C.A.S.F." The reverse of the envelope is stamped "ESSEX SCOTTISH REGT. C.A.S.F. ORDERLY ROOM FOR MAILING"
25.	Associated Artifacts	Included newspaper clipping.
26.	Number of Components (by type)	1 envelope; 3 physical sheets of paper; total of 6 image files.
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