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Letter to Mrs. Elton Newman - November 7, 1940

The Wartime Correspondence of
Harry William Manchester

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REVISION HISTORY

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

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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

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EDITOR’S COMMENT

None.

None.

RESEARCH NOTE

None.

None.

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.

TRANSCRIPTION OF ARTIFACT CONTENT

Aldershot England

November 7/40

Dear Sister:-

Well I was expecting Eva & her brother down to-day. But they didn't show up. So I guess I'll go to the show after supper.

I wrote to Onnellee last nite But I want to drop another line to-nite. If I have time. Also Aunt Lil. I haven't heard from her yet.

Gee. I haven't had any Canadien mail in a week. I expected some to-day. But it didn't come

A bunch of Canadiens arrived the other day from Iceland. & are they a happy bunch. Bob Oakley that used to fork ~~from~~ for Les. Ash & Wane Tully. was amongst them. He had a bunch of pictures he took in Iceland. & what a desolate looking place. Not a tree in sight.

He gave me some Money he brought from there & I'm going to try & wrap it up & send it in this letter.

Gee Franc. I wish some mail would arrive from you & Onnellee You know I wasn't going to write her last night But I went to the show & I couldn't get her off my mind. So I had to write her before I went to bed.

There is an air raid on now & I soon have to go to supper. Gee I can't understand why they fly over us & drop their eggs & none has come near us. Lucky Aren't we? Well I'll write some more after supper.

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They are starting to give the seven days leaves out now. & I expect to go in a couple weeks. Tweedale & Wilf. the guy I went on my last leave with. Are going together first this time & then I go next. If we go to Scotland. We get 2 days extra to ~~toe~~ travel on. So that'll make me nine days all told

Well Franc. my (~~xxx~~) lips I mean the sores on my lips are just about dried. And I feel much better. I ~~cleen~~ cleaned my teeth to day for the first My lips were so sore before that I couldn't stand to clean them.

Weel Franc. There isn't much more to say. So I guess I'd better close for now. So I'll say

Good Night

Your Loving Brother

Harry

P.S.

This crazy Tweedale would drive the
best of men nuts

He & I just upset a whole bottle of ink.

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ARTIFACT IMAGES

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A bunch of Canadians arrived the other day from Ireland. & are they a happy bunch. Bob O'Leary that used to work ~~for~~ for Dr. Ash & Wane Tully. was amongst them. He had a bunch of pictures he took in Ireland. & what a desolate looking place. Not a tree in sight.

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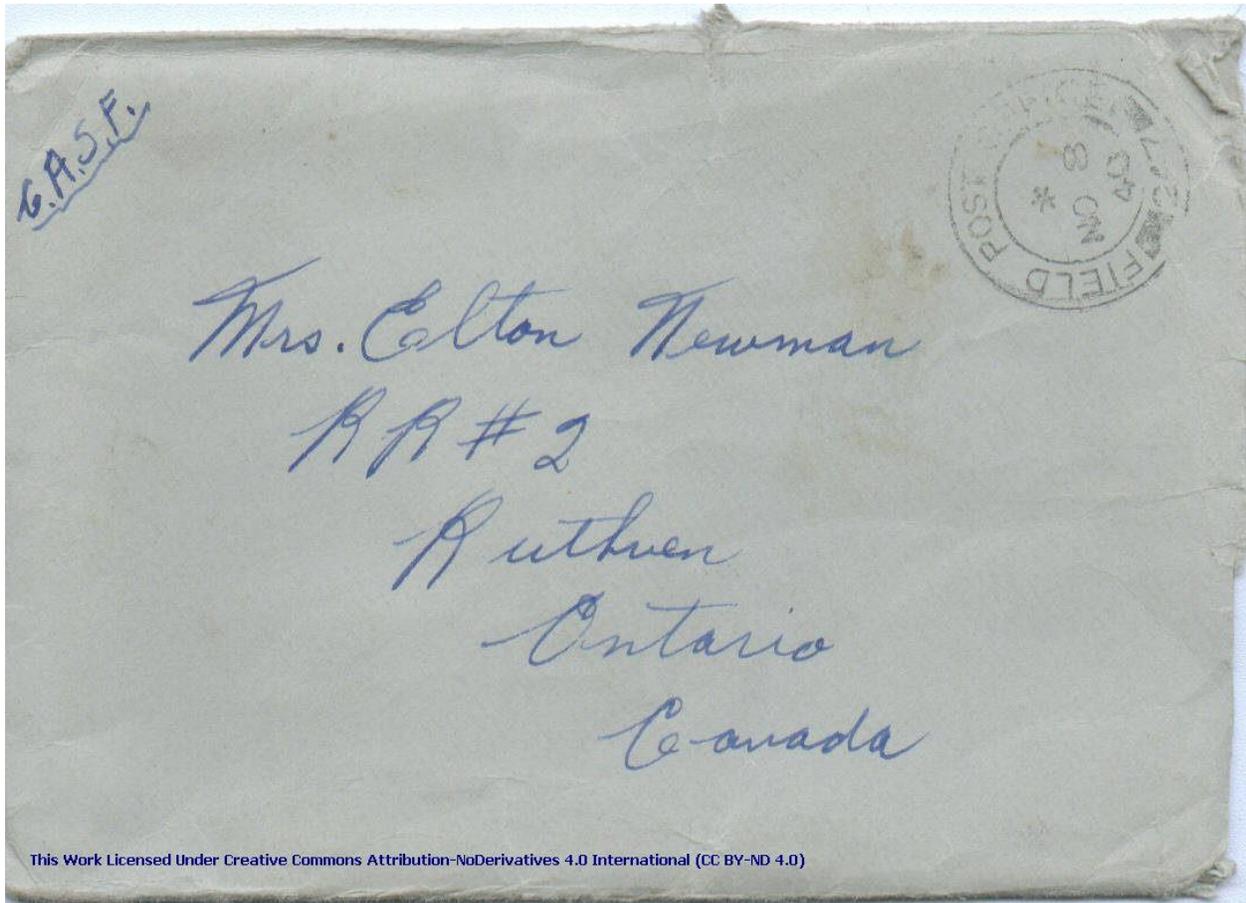
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LETTER TO MRS. ELTON NEWMAN - NOVEMBER 7, 1940

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