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## Letter to Mrs. Elton Newman - August 13, 1940

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The Wartime Correspondence of  
Harry William Manchester

Harry William Manchester Descendant

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## REVISION HISTORY

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

Version Number	Date	Change
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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 Private (Pte) Harry William Manchester to his sister, Mrs. Elton Newman of Cottam, Ontario, Canada, that was written and posted from Aldershot, England, on August 13, 1940.

## EDITOR’S COMMENT

This letter is the first indication that the Essex Scottish Regiment is barracked at Aldershot, England.

## ADDITIONAL MARKINGS

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.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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All reasonable queries will receive a response.

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## TRANSCRIPTION OF ARTIFACT CONTENT

Aldershot, Eng.  
Tues. Aug. 13/40

Dear Franc:-

Well I've finally set down to write you another letter. I have been going to write you for the last two or three days but just hadn't got settled to it.

I made my assignment this morn. Of twenty dollars. I think it will start from the first of August. & you should get your first cheque the first of September. However Franc. be sure & let me know when it comes & if it the full twenty dollars are there. Also don't forget to send in that insurance book every couple or three months & they will mark it & send it back. That is the one I told you to send to them.

This money I am signing over is for to send me cigarettes with. & the rest is for whatever you see fit to do with it. Be sure & get the kids anything they want. I am sending another one of these sweet caporal cards for you to send in. We have to pay thirty six cents for twenty cigarettes.

I am on M.P. duty now steady. I have been on from 9. A.M. to 5 P.M. but I start to-day from 1.30 P.M to 9.30 P.M. I was going to the show to-nite but since they've changed my scedule, I won't be able to go.

We are allowed to stay out till midnite now. Of course I stay out as late as I like as long as I'm on M.P. duty. & I don't have to attend any parades.

Well I'd better go to dinner & then have a shave. I washed a lot of clothes this morn. Cuzz' I expect to go on my five days leave to-morrow or the next day. I will write again as soon as possible. I hope some more Canadian mail comes in soon. I'd better say "cherrio"

As Ever Harry

P.S.

Don't forget to  
send my mail to in

C/O Base P.O. (also C.A.S.F.)  
Canada & 1<sup>st</sup> Batt.

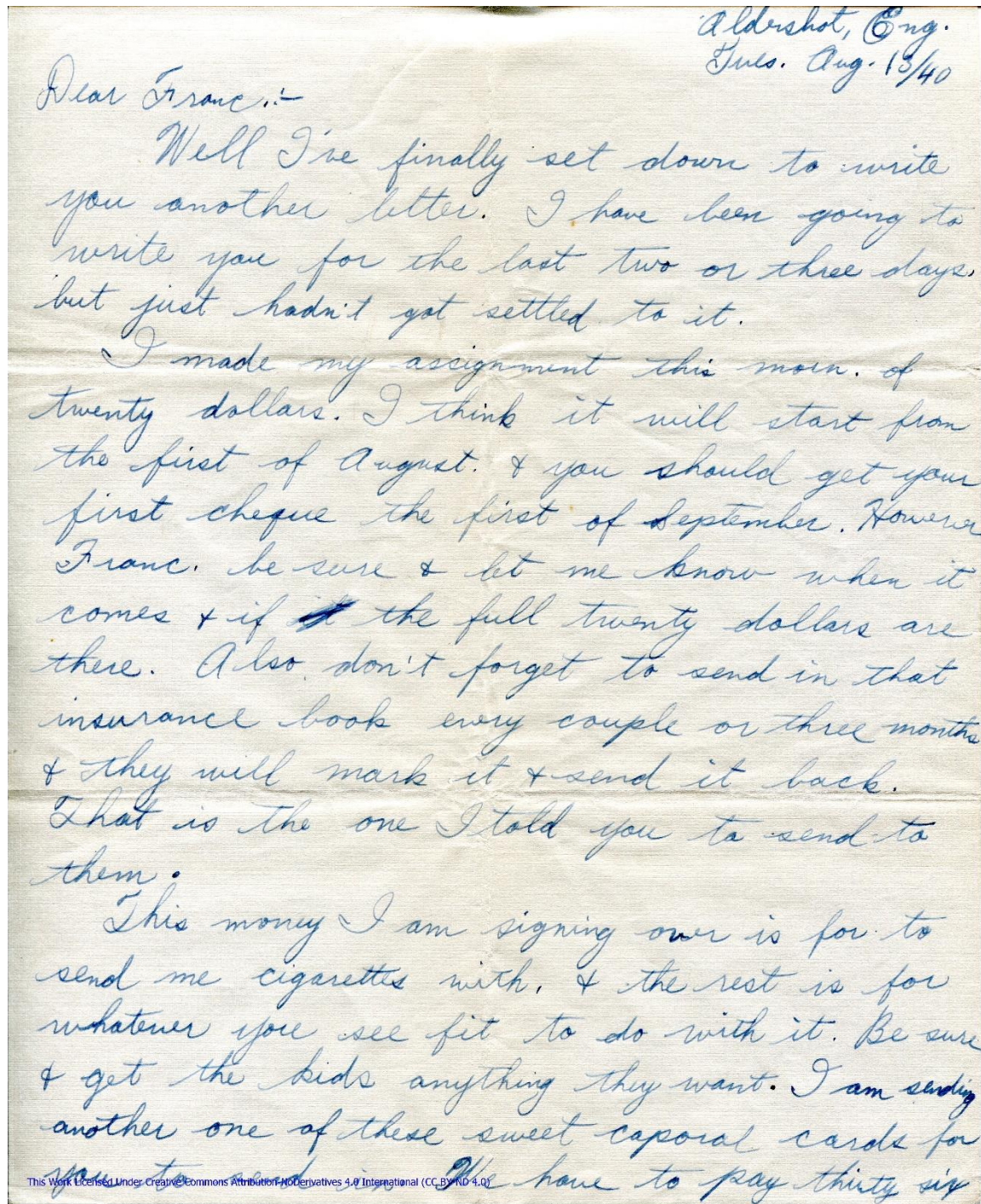
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## ARTIFACT IMAGES

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## ARTIFACT PROPERTIES

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

	Property	Value
1.	Artifact ID	Art-1940-08-13
2.	Artifact Title	Letter to Mrs. Elton Newman - August 13, 1940
3.	Artifact Type	Letter
4.	Artifact Description	Personal Letter to Mrs. Elton Newman from H.W. Manchester.
5.	Artifact Creation Date	August 13, 1940
6.	General Description/ Commentary	This artifact is a letter from Private (Pte) Harry William Manchester to his sister, Mrs. Elton Newman of Cottam, Ontario, Canada, that was written and posted from Aldershot, England, on August 13, 1940.
7.	Origination Locale	Aldershot, England, United Kingdom
8.	Origination Address (for correspondence)	H. Manchester 1st Batt. S.X. Scots Regt. C.A.S.F. C/O Base P.O. Canada
9.	Origination Postmark (for correspondence)	FIELD POST OFFICE 247 AU 14 40
10.	Destination Address (for correspondence)	Mrs. Elton Newman RR #2 Ruthven Ontario Canada
11.	Destination Postmark (for correspondence)	RUTHVEN PM AU 26 40 ONT.
12.	Artifact Editor's Commentary	This letter is the first indication that the Essex Scottish Regiment is barracked at Aldershot, England.
13.	Artifact Transcribed Content	Reference "Transcribed" section in this document.
14.	Artifact Categories List	1940, Frances Newman, The Essex Scottish Regiment, Aldershot, England, Military Police, Military Leave
15.	Content Reference (Tags)	parade, Military Police, Essex Scottish Regiment, Caporal Co., cigarettes, shows, military leave, insurance, assignment [of pay]
16.	Categories Reference - Relationships	None.
17.	Categories Reference - Events	parade
18.	Categories Reference - Locations	Aldershot, England, United Kingdom
19.	Categories Reference - People	None.
20.	Categories Reference - Organizations	Military Police, Essex Scottish Regiment, Caporal Co.
21.	Categories Reference - Facilities	None.

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22.	Categories Reference - Other	cigarettes, shows, military leave, insurance, assignment [of pay]
23.	Additional Markings	The reverse of the envelope is stamped "ESSEX SCOTTISH REGT. C.A.S.F. ORDERLY ROOM FOR MAILING"
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