

Thursday January 11/16
Whitley Camp.

Surrey, England

Dear Mother Father & Carrie

Received a letter from
Carrie & also one from Mother & Dad
written just after Christmas. I sure
missed my little drive with Carrie
Christmas morning, I am glad you
liked the Photos I sent, also the
Sparrow, I am sending a little pin
just for Dad to wear on his coat.
On Monday January 8/16 up as per
usual in the morning we had
Physical Drill Bayonet Fighting
and extended order. it was a pretty
hard morning for Monday it kind
of kept us moving when we felt
more like laying around, It has been
 $\frac{1}{2}$ Snow & $\frac{1}{2}$ Rain all day and is sure
disagreeable. In the afternoon we
had Gas Helmet Drill in E10. putting
on Helmets & doubling around that
with them on. Murray and I went to
The Bungalow at Tin Down and
had our supper there. Come Back
to Camp and wrote some letters

although to tell the truth I did not
feel very much like writing everything
is so much the same, that when
it comes to writing letters it is
almost an impossibility

Wednesday January 9/16
Physical drill, Bayonet Fighting
Extended Order & Squad Drill in
the afternoon we marched to
Thursley Commons. It was still
pretty "damp" I mean the weather
we dug trenches until 3³⁰ played
Foot Ball until 4³⁰ when Field
Kitchens came out with our lunch
& sandwiches & some tea we went
in the trenches about 5³⁰ and
stayed there until 7³⁰ of course it
was dark, and of course work
was out of the question unless we
heard someone coming we got back
to camp about 8³⁰ and believe me
the way that Bed drew was a
barker.

Wednesday January 10/16
All morning we had a Review
of Mechanism etc on Machine Gun
Just here I'll answer your question

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on most parades we wear Drouzes
& Putties on Marches & Dress Parade
and leaving Camp. Kilt's "How's That"
in the afternoon I was called
out and given a class of Pipers
to instruct in M.G. and as they
weren't particular about learning
it was a pretty hard job. Well
dears This is up to date now.

Now for the Spec news, we
do not expect to leave England
now for 3 months.

Well dears for now I think
I will pull the pin. I am drinking
Good Limer oil now to see if I
cannot leave this English Cold.

Behind

Remember me to all. as.
Ever your loving Son & Brother
T. J. J.