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DISHFORTH
YORKSHIRE.

Dear Mother,

Once again I have been moved this time only a few miles & it is a change from long train journeys. Things at "Salton" were pretty good & I find no great change here the R.C.A.F. is not bad at all.

There is no change here, they still persist that they can make ~~to~~ me fit, well they are trying, & believe me I have not marched so much in all my life. As you know I cannot tell you a great deal, but I am well & in the best of spirits & Pete is here & he has improved greatly & he seemed to have plenty of spirit left in him although I do not see him as much as I would like to.

Leave, well I expect it every day, but that is one thing you cannot hurry & by now I realize how well off I was when I was at home, but the war is looking pretty good & according



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to the papers it should be over in "Europe" before
"Christmas" or early in the "new year".

Aunt is everybody love you miss me at all,
well maybe my appetite, a what of "Bubbles" I bet
she likes the "High School," well I bet she does, a young
I know you worry at times about me, but so many
are in my position a some much worse off.

I suppose "Daddy" is busy as usual, a I hope
everything goes well at the shop - by the way if you
send me Jacks address in Bangor I shall drop him
a line for it is about time I wrote him.

By the way anything you send me will be
most welcome, ask "daddy" if he could get me some
"after-shave" lotion like the stuff I got from the
yanks called "Whinnies" for I love to shave sometimes
in cold water a my face gets really sore.

Well for the present
Love to all.
W.A.C.



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DALTON.

NEAR THIRSK

YORKS.

Dear Mother,

Arrived here Wed 13th about 5-30, & I did feel pretty tired, but the weather was good & this made it much easier for me. The journey over on the boat was very smooth & I had quite a nice meal on board, but the trains were awful & I had to stand all the way to "Leeds" station. We arrived in "Leeds" at 5-30 "Wednesday", but fortunately the station stays open all night, so I went & had a wash & then I ate in the restaurant in the station, but I had to wait until 1-40 before I could get a train to "Thirsk", well eventually I arrived plus all my kit.

Since "Wednesday" we have had no programme of any kind & we have spent most of our time viewing the county-sick.



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Thish is 1/2 miles from Salton & there is nothing but a collection of huts on the side of a hill there is absolutely no form of entertainment, & we are due for a pretty miserable time, there are a few cottages along road but as far as I can see there is nothing else. Being a "Canadian" station the food is easily the best I have ever tasted in the R.A.F. The discipline is very relaxed & we have no way in any way of being late or getting up in the morning, well so far this is all the news at the camp.

You may notice I left my respirator & steel helmet behind, but if I need them, of which I shall not I will wire & let you know when to send them.

Could daddy post me on a strop for my razor & the other bottle of "bycream", for there is ~~not~~ no place to buy anything here, also if there is anything eatable you could send it on.

Well I shall finish now, & write you soon again.
 your sonn. Mac. Love to all.

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DISHFORTH

YORKS.

Dear Mother,

Received your letter a parcel of cake which was very nice also the two photographs which as usual were not so good of me. I can quite imagine the enthusiasm of the relatives of the boys who arrived back from the "hells-in-East". The weather here has been dull, but not cold. The home situation is not so bad & I expect to be home about Nov. 2., or around there, & believe me the time cannot pass too quickly.

I spend most of my time reading, for there is a very good ~~library~~ library here & they have quite a range of books, also the station cinema puts some quite good shows. The nearest town to the camp is a place called "Pipon" which is about five miles away, & the only thing there is two broken down cinemas, otherwise there is nothing else & it ~~is~~ is very seldom we go in.



The R.A.F., fairly pounded Germany one or two
 night ago we sent out 5,000 planes & within
 sixty hours they dropped upwards 30,000 tons of
 bombs, well I just cant see how the people
 can possibly stick it.

How does Bubbles like the high-school, I
 am sure she will get on really well, & remember
 me to everyone at home. Pete is here but
 he still has some time to go before he will
 be A.C. again, well for the present

lots of love
 your Son

M/ac

P.S. Remind Gladly about the after-shave
 lotion, see if he can get me some, tell him
 to ask O.J. Johnson, also a few cigarettes if
 possible -

M.

Dear Mother,

Arrived safely back in the middle of one of the worst snow storms that they have had for some time, at present I am sitting in the mess in front of the fire the wind is really howling outside, but all this snow will turn to slush pretty soon & then there shall be a mess. I was pretty fortunate to get a lift up to the hill with my cases, & by now I have settled down to the old lazy life of just waiting for something to happen.

I have not seen Jack yet, only "Lis" the ~~our~~ navigator, & we have spent most of our time in bed. When I look back here seems so short & I have been told there shall be no more until March 10th actually it is not so terribly long.

I have been talking to some of the boys & they had a pretty rotten time over Christmas, & I still consider myself pretty lucky. The food has gone pretty badly since I came back & the

place looks as miserable as ever. There is not a hat
to tell you for everything seems to be at a
standstill & I have again wrapped myself up in
all my available winter woollies.

You could tell Daddy to send one the pen
for "Pet" & how much will I charge him also
my gloves which I so stupidly left behind if
he can find them, for present this is all
take care of yourself & give my love to all

Your Son
W/ac.