

psals. Lovatt and Willcox, have
like myself been put in W^o. 4 Co.

All the tallest men are put
in the P. of W. (W^o. 1 Co.). The next
tallest in W^o. 4 Co., and the shortest
in nos 2 or 3. The P. of W. form up
on the right, and W^o. 4 on the left,
with nos 2 or 3 between.

By a strange coincidence,
I have been put in a room, with another
sleep who came up the same time, by the
name of David James. I have been very
well at Caterham. He is an old
Burmese Policeman. I am D. James W^o. 1.
and he is D. James W^o. 2. We have plenty
of fun over it.

I want you to send me a towel
and a pair of socks, if you can manage
it, as soon as you can. I have had one
towel pinched at Caterham, just before
we left there, and the one I have got is
very dirty, and I have no change.

Tell Dad that he can send
some to - boxes as soon as he likes
as I am short of money, and we dont
get any pay until next Friday week,
and I only got payed 3/- instead of 4/-
last Monday. I hope you are all well
at home. I should like to have Jack's
address. Tell Billy that I will send
him a badge to - wear, for him to wear
when he goes to school. With love to all
part loving son. David

Welsh Guards

~~Wes~~
Thurs. July 9th 15.

Dear Mother.

We arrived at our
new quarters last Tuesday, and
since then I have been too busy
to write up to now.

I am not properly
settled down yet, and ~~am~~ am
at present sleeping on the floor,
but it is to be hoped that they
will soon find proper accommodation
for us. It is a wonderful place,
and very confusing at first to
find one self about, among all
the corridors and stairways that
are here, but I am getting used to it

not quite
show a hair
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are near
it is next
just opposite is St James
palace.

I had a look at them
going on Guard this morning, it was
a fine sight. The Welsh were on
to day. They change with the
scots. The uniforms & the bands
looked very fine. We have not had
our band yet. The Irish took
them on this morning.

I went out last night
and had a look round at James
park and Buckingham.

I have been separated
from some of my chums. We have
been split up and put into different
companies. Letman got put in
the Prince of Wales's company. He
was very lucky and owes it to his
smart appearance. My other two

got by bit. I have been re-
equipped with New Rifle and equip-
ment, and I have had all my
work cut out to look after them.

We have to be very slippery
in the morning. ● up at 6 sharp.
Breakfast parade at 6.45, when
we have to undergo a most severe
inspection. We have to be washed
shaved, boots cleaned, buttons clean
bed made up, all in half an hour.
and god help you, if there is anything
wrong, or you are a bit late!

This is no doubt the strict-
est mob in the British army.

The food is very good, much
better than Caterham. We had
meat & new potatoes & carrots for
dinner, with tapioca pudding to
follow. the pudding was all right.

We have but much time to
ourselves. All our spare time is
occupied with cleaning and shining.

I had my hair-cut last