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Dear Mother,

I received Tom's letter yesterday, and was greatly surprised to hear that he has enlisted. I would much rather that he had not done so, he is not of age for one thing, and surely two of us out of the house is quite sufficient, without him having to go again. I can understand them bringing pressure on some of the young fellows at the office, but I think he had ample reason for not enlisting, but I suppose he wanted to go badly. I know how his feelings were. Candidly, I did

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I don't think he would get past
the Doctor, he was always so
delicate. However, I trust that
the tramping will do him good,
and that this blessed War will
come to an end very soon.

I don't know how you
feel now that the three of us
are away from home, but cheer up,
we will all be back home some
time.

I received Aunt Winnie's
parcel alright, but I have not
had yours yet, I think it's a shame
that they can't be delivered to their
proper owners, I don't see any reason
why they should not, someone ought
to take the matter up, as the number
of parcels that go astray seem to be
on the increase than otherwise, I
know a good many of our chaps who
have suffered a great deal of loss, and

3, could hardly afford the expense,
and high rate of postage, which
they charge.

Last time I wrote, I said
that leave had started, but I am
sorry to say that it has been can-
celled for the time being, but I
hope that it will soon start,
so that my turn will come, I am
dying to come home, and you
can imagine my feelings when
I heard that leave had been can-
celled. I have every hope that it
will be resumed shortly.

At the time of writing,
we are in reserve, and things
are very quiet at present. We
had a bit of frost this morning,
but I have plenty of warm clothing
now, so you need not send me
anything in that line, as it will
only mean more for me to carry

4, about, and my hat is too full
as it is. Aunt Winnie had sent
me a fine shirt and scarf, and
a pair of socks, I have plenty of
socks now, and want them this
weather, I have been served with
a new pair of boots, and had them
too big, so that I can wear two
pairs of socks the same time.

I hope you are all well at
home. Dad must feel it very
strange to have girls in the office,
great changes have taking place
since I was home last. I hope
that Tom will write soon and give
his address, so that I may write
to him and I want to hear from
you as well. Until then good
bye and best love from your
loving Son David X

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