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YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
"WITH THE COLORS"



7th Co. C A C
Fort Greble.

Portland, Maine

My Dear, Father Mother -

Brother + Sisters

Well I suppose you are fully aware by this time, that I am a V. S. Soldier and I hope you wont feel bad about it, I like the training fine, There is not a young man in this country now, but what is in training, I was not taken yet but I dont know for how long he will escape it, as they are sending them away to training camps every day.

Dear Ones, I had a letter from Katie also Pelice and they forwarded me Nellie's letter which she sent to Sister

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To the Folks at Home: Save Food, Buy Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps.

Katie and it touched me for a moment I understand, there are pretty hard times in Ireland but this time, and in order to help you out a little I am sending you the small sum of 10 pounds ~~to~~ just as a little reminder of your affectionate Son & Brother Pat.

I hope you received the pictures, which I sent you about two weeks ago, also Sister Mary I sent her a picture of myself, similar to those I sent you. Now dear ones don't worry about me, I will be alright with God's help, as I have placed my whole trust in ~~God~~ for my safe return and God, himself, knows best, & rules to perfection and always does what is right.

Dear Ones I will ask you once again not to worry about me, especially you dear Mother & Father as I am well taken care of here, and we have some fine Officers training us



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and if you had only a headache
they would send you to hospital,
So for my ~~sake~~ Mother dear,
please look at the bright side
of things, as I will see you all
yet, and when I come home to
you, you will feel proud, that
you had a son to represent
you, in this horrid fight
for the world's freedom. may
God grant that it will soon
end.

Now Father if you don't need
Sister Honnie's help, leave her in
Suam, & try & make something
out of her, you know best but
I assure you, I will try to help
you out and for heavens sake
don't need for anything because
while I have a dollar, you ^{Father} and

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money of you X try v + go of XXXXX
my good mother can have half
of it, and if needed, you shall
have it, fall I was very lonely.
going Chicago, all on account
of Belia + Kate as they are the
best Sesters any Brother could
have, Every one in Chicago are
fine as I have a letter from
there every day, I had ~~not~~ made
more friends in Chicago than I
ever had in Ireland It is a
fine City, John Slie + family
are fine, I had a letter from
John yesterday, he is getting
along fine, and has a very nice
family - two boys + a girl, How
is Sister, Maggie also Joe +
Baby + not forgetting all my other
Sisters + Brother, tell them I
will write to them soon + I will
send them my Soldier picture, +
Father + Mother I want to thank you
once again for how you raised us and I
want to tell you that, Father + Mother
are my first word and will be my last, So
God Bless you, Good Bye Good Luck, and say
a little prayer to the Blessed Virgin for my

to my Brother Jack +
Dom + Brother Jack +
affectionate
your,
I still remain
as I still remain
return