

mar 30 1916

#4478 pte C. J. Hale
20 Company
16 platoon
1/6 Glos. Regt.
B C F
France

Dear Sister :-

I guess you thought I never intended to write you any more. I have him here in France three weeks and I have not him very well and just can talk above a whisper. I received your letter yesterday and was sorry to hear that you was sick & also received Jarvis and Attie and Blondies sweet little letter. the reason why I havent wrote before now, I had no paper or money to get any with so I decided to borrow some from my platoon Corporal and I would pay him back when I got the money I would pay him back I do not like this country at all but I have to make the best

June 30 1912

478 to C. J. Hall

Company
Boston

Dear Sir

Enclosed

Dear Sir:-
I guess you thought I never in-
tended to write you any more. I
have been here in France three
weeks and I have not time
very well to write you now. I
also received your letter yesterday and
to be sure that you were really
I also received your letter and
other such things. I have not
written the letter. I have not
written before now. I had no paper
or money to get my pen with so I
decided to buy some from my
father's pocket and I would
pay him back when I get the
money. I would pay him back
I do not like this country at all
but I have to make the best

of it as I did all my self. but
 I have decided to pick up my
 bed and walk. I never did
 think much about religion as
 I do now. I have seen some
 horrible things since I have
 bin here it is no place to
 have fun. it is a naught
 to drive any one crazy. I was
 in the trenches four days
 last week. and I had a narrow
 escape. a shell pitched in the
 the cook house of the trenches
 my self. and two men were
 in there getting supper ready
 and the shell exploded in
 there it came from the German
 it. Took nearly all the right
 shoulder off of the head cook
 and the other one got a
 great gash in his leg. but
 I happen to get by with out
 a blinisk so I have decided
 to change up my way of living
 I have seen so much blood
 in the trenches until I havent

of it as I did all my self but
 I have decided to put up my
 bed and work. I never
 think about religion as
 I do now. I have seen some
 terrible things since I have
 been here and it is no place to
 live here. It is a struggle
 to drink any one cup of
 in the morning four days
 last week. One of the
 things I noticed in the
 the look of the houses
 my self, but that was
 all their getting ready
 and the people were
 there it came from the
 it took nearly all the night
 a number of the best
 and the other one got a
 great deal in the but
 of people to get by with out
 a business as I have decided
 to change up my way of
 I have seen and much food
 in the morning until I have

no stomach to eat. and the
 the trenches are three deep
 in mud and stinks worse
 than a slaughter pen. Carrie &
 Cant tell where I am at or to
 much about the trenches, but it
 is some where in France and
 a miserable cold country to
 live in we had plenty of snow
 while I was in the four days
 but it fine weather just now
 I will be going in the trench
~~to~~ tomorrow night for another
 four days. I dont know what
 kind of luck I will have
 but I hope I will have luck
 to come through safe and then
 we are going back for six
 weeks rest. Carrie I am send-
 ing you paper showing you
 that I have tried to get my
 discharge but I think it is a
 failure. but if I ever get out of
 this scrape I am coming home
 that is if you all will let me
 I have got some since now

I have got a letter from
 that is if you all will
 this escape I am coming home
 failure. but I ever get out of
 discharge. but I think it is a
 that I think to get my
 into your papers. I am
 under what I am
 we are going back for
 to come through safe and
 but I hope I will have
 kind of luck I will have
 four days of about ten
 to come through for
 I will be going in the
 but it give weather just now
 article I was in the paper
 line in the last party of
 a miserable little country to
 as soon as in France and
 much about the timber, but it
 last I thought I got out
 them a letter from
 the timber and some
 no attempt to get out the

I never did have any before
 and tell Jarvis and Ettis
 never let drink put them
 in trouble like it has me
 and never to leave the USA
 to go to another country tell
 them I have quit drinking
 now. and I am asking
 the Lord for forgiveness. of
 all my sins and I might
 live to see you all again
 and I will write them in few
 days, and I expect to write to
 father. and tell him what a big
 course whiskey has done for
 me and ask him for forgiveness
 the way I have done. if I ever
 get back I will live a different
 life. but it looks very blue
 to me of ever getting back
 tell Blondie and Roscoe to be good
 children. I give my best regards
 to all the people in Wiggins
 I tell all the family good bye
 Ettis and Lola as well because
 this is the last letter I write until
 I come back out of trenches. Corson Sea

I never had time to write you any before
 and till now I have not put down
 in the book all the things that I
 have done since I came to the
 country. I have quite a number of
 now. I have a great many things
 the book for you. I have a great
 all my little things. I have a great
 like to see you all again.
 and I will write them in
 have, and I expect to write to
 father. I have a great many things
 I have a great many things for
 me and I have a great many things
 the way I have done. I have a
 get back. I have a great many things
 life. I have a great many things
 my mother and father. I have a
 children. I have a great many things
 to all the people in my
 I have a great many things for
 this and I have a great many things
 this is the best thing I have
 I have a great many things for