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Somewhere in France

On Active Service

October 7 1917

Dear Rachel:-

I suppose you will be expecting this letter from me for several days but, as we have been kept busy for a long time past, I never found time to scribble a letter. I never received any letter from you since the last one - and I answered it.

The weather is getting rotten here now. The last few days were cold and wet. To-day it is wet and this morning was freezing cold. Last night we took up our billets in an apparently historic building in a town "Somewhere in France." Most of us were put in a big room which was very cold - but, after a little expl-
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oring through this old time-worn
mansion, four of us found comfortable
lodging in a little room that
possessed an old brick fire-place
that apparently was never used
since the Franco-Prussian war of 1870.
After clearing out the accumulated
rubbish from this fire-place
we procured some good dry-wood
and warmed ourselves beside
the "blazing hearth." The fire was
still glimmering this morning when
we moved to another town.

If the walls of this old place
could only talk, I believe they
could tell many an interest-
ing episode that they witnessed
probably scenes of revelry
in days when the stage-coach
were in use prior to electric
and steam locomotion.



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Well I hope you at
home are making preparations
for winter before it is too late.
Winter has come about 3 days ago for
I felt it here in France.

As usual
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