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ANGUS GORDON, RESIDENT MANAGER.

8th Sept 1915

My dear Mother

I was very interested in your nice long letter of the 28th.

I was disappointed, too, in not being able to pay you a visit when I intended but have not yet entirely given up hope. If all goes well with Lois I might just possibly get up for the prairie chicken season but I think that all things considered it would be better to going up a little later if work etc permits.

With regard to shells, we did not have a visit from Mr Thomas. I have an appointment to meet him here tomorrow at ten o'clock.

And we have not yet got any orders from Russia or France. If I go to Winnipeg I will bring you a shell and if I do not I will send one to you. As they leave our factory they are filled with bullets but the bursting charge

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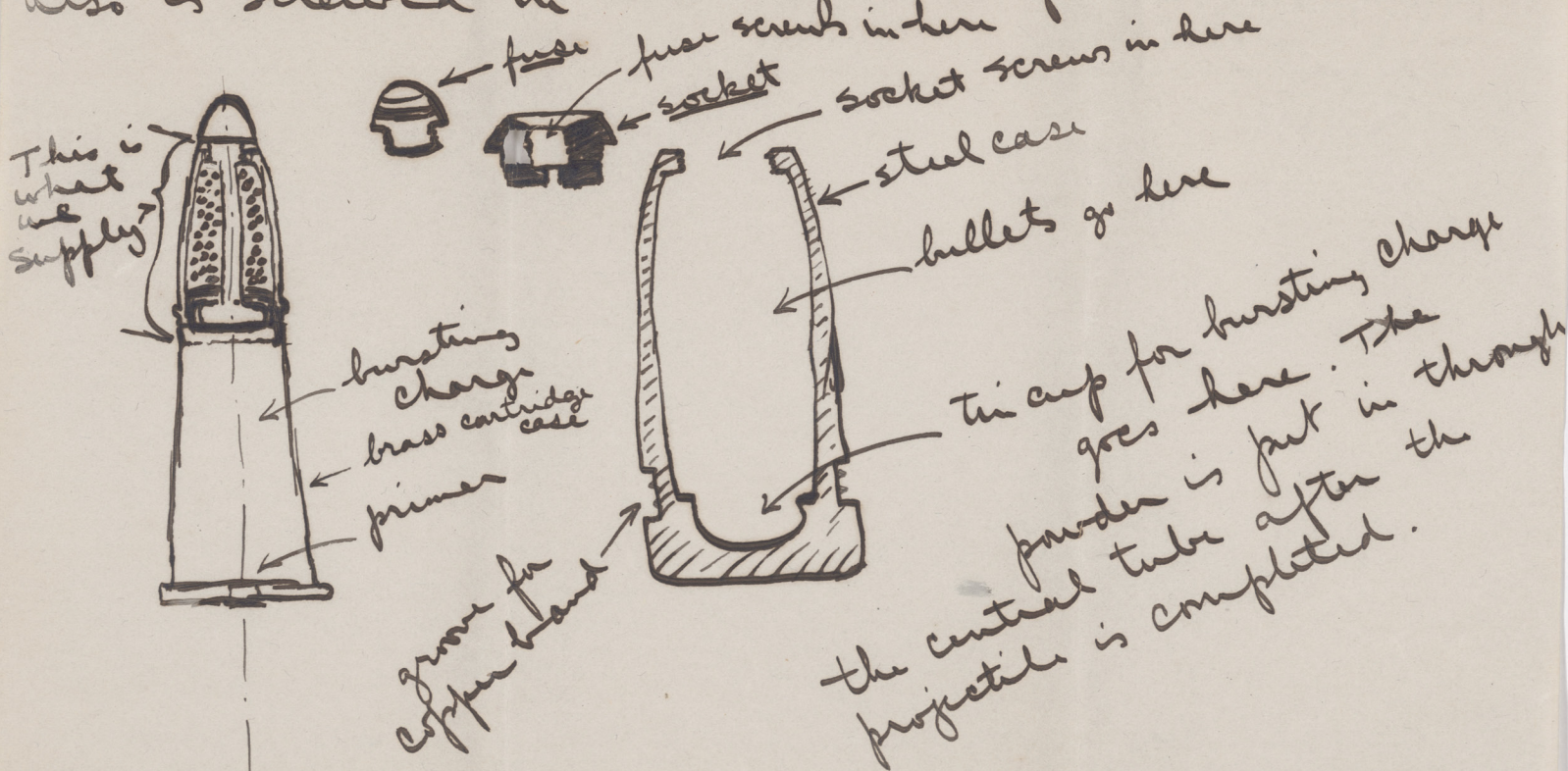
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of a small quantity of black powder is not put in until they reach Vaudreuil. At Vaudreuil the bursting charge is put in the projectile as we ship it and the projectile is assembled to the brass cartridge case with its propelling charge and primer or cap at the back end. The time fuse also is screwed in the nose end of the shell.



Hot
Resin is poured in among the bullets which keeps them from getting matted together when the shell is fired which would make them swell out against the side of the case.

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I am glad to hear a word of remembrance from Col Wayland and Major Swinburn and to know that they are at Sewell camp. I am only sorry that they are mistaken regarding my being at the Dardanelles.

I am glad to see the photographs and am returning those of the prairie and the camp but want to keep the two of the house.

We will do our best about your parcels for Hugh.

I went down in an elevator at Rae's store with Cousin Jessie Sjostedt this morning. I have promised to call on her at Lottie's house this evening. She is on a holiday.

Ottawa is full of officers, most of them taking courses at Rockcliffe Rockcliff.

I suppose Lois told you that Clara is staying with us and that we have the house arranged with Clara in the little ~~sun~~ room, a nurses bed and a crib in the big front room and Lois and I where we were. I have arranged for storing Mrs Penhale's superfluous things.

With love
 Your affectionate son Edward.