

Sherbrooke

24th May 1916

My dear Dad

We were surprised to find from your letter of the 20th that you expect to sail for England on the 27th.

I am sorry that the conditions of my work here will not enable me to go in to see you in Montreal tomorrow. I look forward however to having a talk with you by telephone.

I will try to make an appointment for 12.30 P.M. so that Lois and I can both be

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at this end of the line. If I am
unable to get you then I hope
we will be able to get a
connection later in the day.

I wrote you a long letter
last Sunday in acknowledgement
of two letters received from you.
I hope my letter will be forwarded
to you by the next boat.

I have not invested my \$2500⁰⁰
yet and have also got \$500⁰⁰ or \$1000⁰⁰
more that I should put into something.
I have by now got pretty full
control of all our munition work
and most ~~of~~ of my plans have
worked out well.

There seems however to be a

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good deal more for me to do
before I can think of enlisting
myself. Pick McConkey is in the
same boat. We are both behind
in deliveries and the Board
insists that the large shells
are greatly needed. We have
just offered a big bonus (private)
to our 8" shell Superintendent
for every shell he can turn out
before December 31st and I hope
that will relieve me of some of
the work of hammering for results.

Lois is well and we have the
beginning of a very nice and tidy
little flower garden with a
sand pile, a raised tub of water

buckets and shovel and a
hammock - all for Alice,
and a green garden seat and
a little pavilion tent for
Lois.

Lois and the youngsters and
I are all quite well and we
all expect to spend the summer
in Sherbrooke. Lois has got a
good deal lighter than when we
were in Winnipeg.

Thank you very much for your
photo which we were very glad to
get.

Uncle Charlie expects to come out here
next Sunday as godfather to the baby.
The name has to be Edward Harrington
Lonsdale but whether he will put in a
"John" or not I don't know. With love
& best wishes for a good voyage to Edward