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My Dear Mr Armstrong

At last I am really writing to you but first of all I do hope you got the photo safe, if it is crushed in any way let me know & you shall have another.

I intended writing you a long ac of our doings at Leicester but have decided not to say anything about the presentation to myself as I will send you the paper when it comes out.

I must however tell you of the best thing of the whole lot, the very last part of the ceremony was grand, The Mayor presented Mr Gee with a gold platinum brooch, it had a lovely diamond in the centre, wasn't it thoughtful of them.

Now I must tell you of a grand treat I had on Friday night I know you will enjoy it because I know Pat did. I was the principal

Speaker at a Mass meeting - several
thousand - on Thursday & I got
angry because a couple of hindus
or so in the audience refused to
salute the French flag, I really
don't know what I said but I
do know I was out to lash them
& I did it too & having started I
kept it up for the whole forty minutes
& rubbed it in pretty thick about the
high wages earned in comfort & the
small amount put into the war
loan.

I had a tremendous oration when I
finished & so I know the Mayor was
delighted for he said so public
than being in Leicester dare talk
to them as I did, but I am sending
you a paper by this post.

I am so glad to know Jess
is better please give her my love
& I am determined to run down
see you before I return to duty.
I shall ask for a Special Reserve
on 1st August & think I can get
home service for a few months
before going out to France again.
Do you think Lady de Lisle would
like a photo if you think she
would please send me her address &

I will forward one.

As I have been here for a week & the first anniversary tomorrow & I am looking forward to a really nice time with them.

I was pleased to know Wipers was with you what memories her name conjured up.

I have been doing quite a lot of talking to the Boys of various Grammar Schools & I love to tell them of Pat they know him as "The Whistler Man I ever met"

I am really much better & feel that I ought to be away from this place but shall stay until the end of July, my house is really hot until 20th August

I forgot to tell you I have earned 30/- as a farm hand 5/- a day of 7 hours so I am really trying to get fit again.

How is Tommy & Louie we have two of her Boys friends in this Strip is George Fulgham & Blew-Jones both of the Life Guards.

Yrs affectionately

Robt Lee