

Private Lewis Lloyd,
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Dear Mother,

We arrived here today Friday at 1.00o'clock. We have our full kit. We left Cosham at 10.20a.m. this morning after a special breakfast of steak and onions. I posted my civilian things to you last night. I thought they would be worth the postage. I should only have had to give them away at Cosham. I've kept one vest and the waistcoat and the belt. We had gloves, a body belt, and a vest issued to us as special kit so we won't hurt for a bit. We are in tents again – 10 to a tent. We are sleeping on boards with 3 blankets – no mattress or biscuits and no pillow. We use our mess tins now. I am writing this in a Y.M.C.A. hut. It's absolutely packed. The Y.N.C.A, do immense amounts of good as one can see in here.

I think we are going to France soon. Of course we know nothing. At any rate France on the whole is the best of the fighting areas. We had the Ox and bucks Band to play us at Cosham Station but nothing of the sort here. You must write back at once in case we move. Don't forget to put my initials.

That's all for the present,
Lewis.