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United States Soldier's Mail
Army.



Miss. Clara Lindstadt.

1101 Arch St.

Burlington

Iowa.

M. S. R.

Red by Base Censor

My address
THE MRS GORDON SELFRIDGE
CONVALESCENT CAMP,
HIGHCLIFFE-ON-SEA,
HAMPSHIRE.
England

Dec. -16-1918.
A. - E. - F.

Dear Sis:

Just a few more lines to tell you that I am getting along nicely in my new home. I'm going to stay here 'till about the first of the year, and then I will be moving again. Well I had the surprise of my life the other day when I received a letter from Varnie; the first letter I got for many days. I was just playing a beautiful quartette song called, "Memories," on the victrola when the mail arrived. I knew who the letter was from before I opened it; I could tell his handwriting. I am sending the

letter home to you so you can read it. I expect to hear from Gult any time now. I certainly was glad to know that they are still on this earth; I was beginning to think that everybody I ever knew had vanished from the earth. I've been writing continually to Halcy and Gult but some of the letters must have went astray.

I'm sending with this letter two post-cards which I managed to get. One of them shows the place where I am staying and the arrow points to the bed-room where I sleep. (The second story of the brick octagon bay window in the centre of the house.)

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CONVALESCENT CAMP,

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Your Brother
Robert.

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[Page 1 – Envelope]

United States

Army.

[[Image: Circular postmark stamp with text:

“HIGHCLIFFE / CHRISTCHURCH” around date:

“11. AM / 16 DE / 18”]]

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