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12 December

Dear General Persson:- Aint that a helluva way
for one of 2 men who have drunk as much
rum together as you and I have, to address
the other!!

This is just a line for I have to go to the boss
before I go to the club & go to bed.

We have our Hospital in running order, and
I guess the thing is all right. We have one
V.A.D nurse. (Volunteer Aid to the Sick) and 12
nursing sisters of Can. Army Medical Corps).

And 4 male h.c. men from the fort
who stay here.

Their idea is to use this Hospital to evacuate
the military hospitals into. They have sent one
troopship to St. John. Another is on the
way. The hospital will last 4 or 5 or 6 weeks.

I told Col. Price that this crowd didn't come
prepared to stay so long - This is how it is! I ought
to be home, but I'll stay till I can be replaced.

Dr. Thomas & Brown is with us. Mr and Mrs
and O'Connor & Nelson want to leave 20th
Barker & Stott 22. Murphy & Crapin 23
Merrill & Boyer, 24th (Sunday of this week.
Hill & Foster will stay through.

Ames will only stay a few days and Garsden
the same.

NOW! May be Col. Price will find he can man
the Hospital from this city. If not, do you suppose
we could get volunteers in Maine? Dr Broad-
bury so he could replace me in 10 days?
Or somebody else? With Foster & Hill staying
6 doctors & Broadbury could run this thing

Don't stir it up, till I write you again. Maybe
Bill can do it. At least one W.D. will
be a surgeon - we have also an
eye man on the way; not shown up yet.
Bradburn and a good surgeon, and some young
men could do it.

We got Foster on the record. I'll make
a good office man.

Now I'm going to write to her.

Too'rite

Dw. Emmett,