

and I am expecting a list of them from him before long, when I trust we shall be able to get a large number of them over to our units here.

I shall be so thankful when you will have been able to get rid of all our useless P.E. men from England - from end/this country to, for a matter of that, as they are only useless expenditure. I am only afraid that we may have them sent back to us again in the next lot of reinforcements!

You will be glad to know that the health of the men here is now very good, and they are all absolutely in the very heights of good spirits, owing to the fact of our having driven these Germans back as we have done, while a few days' sun has made all the difference to them.

The 5th Brigade have had one or two nice little fights at the village of Beaumetz, where they have bayoneted over 100 Germans, and last night the 7th Brigade took another nice little village. It is a real pleasure being on the nice clear country on the other side of Zepcums,

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