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Council

16, Park Lane,  
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Wiltshire  
England.

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Dear Mayor Juba

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Permit me to explain the history of this badge. When the Great War broke out in 1914 there were four regiments in the city of Winnipeg. The mayor of that time (whose name I believe was Waugh) decided to form a regiment belonging to the city. He took a company from each

of the four regiments and formed the 27<sup>th</sup> City of Winnipeg Battalion. Being a bugler in the 70<sup>th</sup> Cammerons I became a member of "A" Company.

after serving 23 months in France as a bandsman and Battalion runner I became ill with T.B. and sleeping sickness. I spent 10 months in English hospitals followed by 5 months in Ninette Sanatorium. After this I was discharged from the army and returned to my relations in England.

Whilst in hospital at Basingstoke in England I learnt embroidery, and made this badge for which my wife's uncle made the frame. I have kept this badge of the regiment ever since.

As I am now 74, I would like to present it to the City in memory of this

regiment which became famous in France during that terrible war I have attached my cap badge and greatcoat buttons which I wore in France.

I enclose a photograph of myself taken in 1917 in my hospital clothes

Thankyou for the lighter you kindly gave me when I visited the City Hall.

I remain yours faithfully  
Herbert H Clark

P.S my service rank was: -

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