

# Brig. Gen. Lipsett Says Port Arthur Can Be Proud Of Her Boys

In Belgium, 28th Sept. 1915.  
To the Mayor of Port Arthur:

Dear Mr. Mayor,—I gave up command of the Eighth battalion (90th Rifles) on the 12th of this month, on being appointed to command a brigade.

The Eighth battalion was formed of five companies of the 90th Rifles from Winnipeg, one company from Brandon, one company from Port Arthur and one company from Fort William, and were allowed to carry the name (90th Rifles) by the minister of militia. I was always very anxious to keep up the territorial association of the battalion, and think we have been fairly successful in this respect, and have had excellent reinforcements from Port Arthur.

In giving up the command, I felt

that I would like to write and inform you how proud I have been to command the officers and men from your city. I believe you have every reason to feel well satisfied with the behavior of your fellow citizens in the battalion. Their conduct and gallantry at all times has been such that their city has every right to be proud of them. The bravery and steadiness of the men has been on several occasions the subject of comment and congratulations from the higher commanders. I hope that the close territorial connection which the company of the battalion that came from Port Arthur has had may be maintained during the war and after.

Yours faithfully,

L. J. LIPSETT,

Brigadier-General,

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