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**A2014.052.001: Daniel Roppel Diary, November 17, 1915 to April 14, 1919**

This diary consists of papers bound by string, stored in a leather pouch. Entries are written in grey pencil, purple pencil, black ink and red ink. Daniel Roppel made entries from the time of his enlistment in the Canadian Expeditionary Forces at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan until his return to Toronto following the end of the First World War, November 17, 1915 to April 14, 1919.

His entries reflect his experiences with the 65th Battalion in England, Belgium, and France, as a Gunner and Messenger moving back and forth between gun placements and front lines. Mention is made of Ypres and Somme. This also includes his time spent in hospital commencing October 1916 recovering from an explosion wound to his left hand, and reference to an investigation into the manner in which the injury was sustained.

His diary also recounts his being blown off the road by the force of shells, having a 'dud' land barely 15 feet away, and watching a German airplane unsuccessfully attack an observation balloon.

**A2014.052.002: Daniel Roppel Diary, November 17, 1915 to December 21, 1918**

This diary is in the form of a hardcover book. Inside the front cover is written: "#308698, Dan Roppel, #3 Can. I.W. Coy., #1 Platoon, #2 Section, France. Purchased in [St. Ghislain?] Belgium, Nov. 24, 1918].

In this book, Daniel Roppel appears to have rewritten his diary entries from November 17, 1915 to December 21, 1918, as they also appear in another diary (See A2014.052.001). Additional information has been added to some of the entries.

Enclosure: "The Board of Pension Commissioners for Canada, Authority for Pension Payments" form re: adjusted payment from 16-4-19.

**A2009.220.003:** Photocopy reproductions of the CEF service file of Daniel Roppel. Includes attestation paper, casualty form - active service, registration cards, medical case sheets, medical transfer certificate, particulars of separation allowance, and payroll records.

**A2009.220.004:** "A soldier's story : Daniel Roppel": A three-page article summarizing the life and First World War military involvement of Daniel Roppel (1897-1940). Includes some excerpts from Daniel Roppel's personal diaries. Also includes reference to his work after the war as western representative for Stevens-Hepner Co. Ltd.

The Museum also holds other items used by Daniel Roppel: "Active Service Testament 1916" (A2014.052.003), "Manual of conversation: English-French" (A2014.052.005), other items collected by Daniel Roppel (items beginning with #A2014.052.003)