

France

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My dearest Nancy,

I just have a chance of getting a letter away so am taking the opportunity of dropping you a few lines to offer you my very deepest sympathy-

I cannot tell you how very sorry we all are about poor old Jack, He was doing splendidly and at the time of his death was leading his company into the attack-

He refused to be carried out by the stretcher bearers straight away saying that there were others worse off than he -                    My one regret is, that I was not there at the time to give him a helping hand-

Nancy, you have every reason to be proud of Jack as I feel sure you know without my telling you - He was esteemed by everybody who knew him and I don't think there was a better liked fellow in the Battalion.

I must get this away now while I have the chance. We are having a rather strenuous time just now-

With deepest sympathy from yours very truly

R C King