

TUXFORD OF THE PLAINS
(Letters of George Stuart Tuxford)

1888-1918

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TO ALL IMMIGRANTS SEEKING A HOME
IN NORTH AMERICA AROUND THE TURN
OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY, INCLUDING
MY BELOVED PARENTS, WHO SETTLED IN
NEW YORK AND LATER JOINED THE
NORTH-WEST FRONTIER.

1914 1918
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THE FIGHTING 15TH
COUSSETTE
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1914 1918

To Brigadier General George Stewart Tuxford.

C.B., C. M. G., D. S. O. with Bar, Legion of Honour.

No City ever rejoiced more at the return of a gallant soldier-citizen than Moose Jaw rejoices to-day at the return of its hero, "Tuxford of the Plains."

In the dark days of 1914 you were first to respond to the call of duty & first to enter the thick of that long & sanguinary conflict for the maintenance of Justice, the cause of Humanity, and the triumph of Democracy.

Four years & more this city has watched your glorious & triumphant career, with pride & gratification & with thanksgiving that you were still spared to carry on & to command. Four years & more, many a prayer was offered for you & those who fought with you in that same just cause; and though many hearts ached for those who paid the supreme sacrifice, they were cheered by the news of your valour & brilliance on the field of battle.

Not only this City & the Province of Saskatchewan, but all Canada rejoices that your indomitable courage, your steadfast purpose & your wonderful capacity for leadership, secured for you the recognition of the Allied High Command, of your King and of the Republic of France.

With no selfish ideal, but solely to do your duty as you saw it, without sparing yourself in the service, like our whole Canadian Army, you exchanged the ease & comfort of civil life for the shell-torn desolation of France & Flanders. You played your part nobly, never turned aside & kept the faith for which so many fell.

Proudly and gladly we welcome you home again to take the place you left as a leader in the thought and action of your own city, strong in the hope and belief that new honours will come to you in the field of peace.

Presented by the Mayor and Council of the City of Moose Jaw on behalf of the Citizens thereof.

This 17th day of June in the year
 of our Lord One Thousand Nine
 Hundred and Nineteen ..

W. H. Addell
 Mayor...
 City Clerk.