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O R CROWELL

CIVIL DEFENCE HALIFAX

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CAN SUPPLY SIX INCH SHELLS PLEASE ARRANGE FOR STORAGE IMMEDIATELY
DISPLAY SHOULD BE SHIPPED AT ONCE ADVISE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT
WHEN WE CAN SHIP ALSO SUGGEST ADDING ANOTHER SIX TO EIGHT
HUNDRED DOLLARS WORTH SIX INCH SHELLS TO BE SHIPPED FROM STOCK NOW
ABOUT TO BE MADE IF TIME ALLOWS

T W HAND FIREWORKS CO LTD.

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March 12th, 1945.

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 HALIFAX, N.S.

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
 Director of Civil Defence,
 Halifax Civil Emergency Committee,
 HALIFAX, N. S.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

As requested in your wire of March 9th. we shipped your displays on Saturday, March 10th. via C.N.R. Express, Prepaid.

We are today shipping the 14-6" Colour Shells and would ask you to kindly return one of the cartons containing 30-3" Colour and Flash Report Shells back to our plant, Express collect. As soon as the other 28 - 6" Colour Shells are ready we will ship them forward to you and you can then return the other two cartons containing 30-3" Colour and Flash Report Shells each.

e3 = 10.050

Yours very truly,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

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November 13th, 1944

O. R. Crowell,
Director of Civil Defence,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

Under normal manufacturing and operating conditions I would have caught the first train out of Toronto for Halifax and ironed out your Fireworks situation with you personally.

At the present time, however, to put on a display such as you require, involves a considerable amount of thought and planning. We have lost several of our pyrotechnic experts due to the War and our existing stock is very low in view of the demands that will be made on it.

The only possible method of holding such a display as you outline, would be to have the frames for the special fireworks manufactured in our plant during the next four or five weeks and to ship them down to you in Halifax. After they arrive, we would then send down one of our experts who will assemble the set pieces, wheels, etc., and have them stored in a dry storage space that can be kept under lock and key.

Our expert would also show your local men how to set up the necessary poles to hold the set pieces and prepare the ground for the display, so that this could be carried out while our expert is enroute to Halifax after the arrival of V-Day.

Unless the display is held down to a comparatively simple one such as consisting of a large number of Aerial Shells and a few set pieces such as Niagara Falls, Illuminations, etc., it would be advisable



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to have it supervised by one of our own experts. If you agree with our viewpoint of having an expert on hand, the display cannot take place until about three days after V-Day. We would like to have your opinion on the advisability of this delay in the firing of the display.

Should you decide to have a large display held on V-Day itself, our suggestion would be to hold the total amount of your expenditure down to about \$2,000.00 and confine the fireworks to a fairly simple assortment of Aerial Star Shells, Illumination, Niagara Falls, Smoke Generators etc.

If a three or four day delay in the firing of the display is acceptable, we suggest a display in the neighbourhood of \$2,500.00 to \$4,000.00 assembled at a prior date by one of our own men whose services will be reserved for you, so that immediately upon the announcement of V-Day he will catch a train for Halifax and supervise the handling of the show along with two or three of your own local men.

While the situation in Europe does not look as bright now as at an earlier date, there is always a possibility of an early crackup, and I would suggest that you decide on the type of display you require so we can put in a concrete proposal for your consideration.

Yours very truly,

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April 19th, 1945.

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
Director of Civil Defence,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

Your letter of April 14th. apparently
crossed ours of April 18th. in the mail.

The 28 - 6" Coloured Shells were shipped
out to you on April 18th. via C.P.R. Express and should
be in Halifax by the time this letter arrives.

A credit will be put through for the
other shells as soon as they are returned.

Yours very truly,

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May 16th, 1945.

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
Director of Civil Defence,
Halifax Civil Emergency Committee,
HALIFAX, N. S.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

We would appreciate it if you could check up on the steel mortars that we sent down to you for your V-E Day celebration.

Our supply of these is on the short side and if possible, we would like to have them returned during the course of the next week or so via Freight. We have instructed our stock keeper to advise the office when mortars are returned and a credit will be issued covering same.

Yours very truly,

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May 14th, 1945.

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
Director of Civil Defence,
Halifax Civil Emergency Com.
HALIFAX, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

We regret the trouble you had in Halifax in spite of all the intensive work that you have put in during the past six months to have the evening run smoothly and with a fitting celebration for V-E Day.

According to the newspaper accounts here, your displays in the Harbour were very effective.

We would appreciate it however, if you would drop us a line and let us know how the displays worked out as you observed them. We would appreciate any suggestions or criticism that you can give us for they will be of considerable value to us in planning future displays of the same type.

Yours very truly,

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May 28th, 1945.

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 HALIFAX, N.S.

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
 Director of Civil Defence,
 Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

Thanks very much for your letter of the 25th. advising us of your V-E Day celebration.

We are glad to hear that the fireworks worked out so successful and are sure that the display would be very effective in the site selected.

We hope that we will have an opportunity of quoting on your requirements should another display be required in the future.

Yours very truly,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

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P.S. Up to the present time our stockkeeper advises us that the mortars we supplied you with have not been returned. If it is at all possible, we would like to have these shipped back to us in the near future.

W. R. Hand



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June 1st, 1945.

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
Director of Civil Defence,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

Thanks very much for your letter of
May 28th.

It will be quite satisfactory to retain
the mortars until you have finished firing your
fireworks.

Thanks very much for your advice.

Yours very truly,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

W. R. HAND

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April 18th, 1945.

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
Director of Civil Defence,
Halifax Civil Emergency Committee,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

We are shipping the last two lots of 6" Colour Shells down to you today via Express Prepaid along with the necessary mortars.

A 6" mortar was shipped down previously and we are shipping two additional mortars with the present shipment. These mortars are comparatively expensive and we are entering a charge through at \$10.00 apiece subject to a refund upon the return of the mortars.

We mentioned previously that one carton containing 30 - 3" Colour and Flash Report Shells, as marked, should be returned to cover the cost of the 6" shells. Up to the present time the first carton has not been received. In order to keep our books straight, we are putting an invoice through to you covering the 42 - 6" Star Shells at \$7.50 each. A credit will be issued when the three cartons containing 30 - 3" Colour and Flash Report Shells each are returned, or if you wish, you can keep the entire lot down there for the celebration arriving in the near future, we hope.

We trust that you have your full plans completed for the display and that you will be fortunate in obtaining a clear warm evening.

Yours very truly,

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INVOICE

Established 1873

PHONE, COOKSVILLE 212
NIGHTS, SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS
PHONE, LAKESIDE 7761, JUNCTION 1420, TORONTO

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO., Limited

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OFFICE AND PLANT — COOKSVILLE, ONTARIO

April 18th. 1945

Mr. O. R. Crowell
Director of Civil Defence,
Halifax Civil Emergency Committee,
HALIFAX, N. S.

TERMS Net Cash.

SHIPPED VIA C.P.R. Express prepaid

CASES 4 cartons 214 lbs.

INVOICE NO. _____

- 6" Colour Shells -

7.50 ea. 315. 00

- 6" Steel Mortars -

10.00 ea. 30. 00

(Note:- \$10.00 each on the three 6" steel mortars will be refunded on the return of same to our plant)

\$345. 00

Express charges prepaid-

11. 84

Ex. Charges prepaid
on March 12th. shipment

5. 41

\$362. 25

INVOICE

Established 1873

PHONE, COOKSVILLE 212
NIGHTS, SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS
PHONE, LAKESIDE 7761; JUNCTION 1420, TORONTO

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO., Limited

TORONTO CANADA,
OFFICE AND PLANT — COOKSVILLE, ONTARIO

April 18th. 1945

Sold to

Mr. O. R. Crowell
Director of Civil Defence,
Halifax Civil Emergency Committee,
HALIFAX, N. S.

TERMS Net Cash.

SHIPPED VIA C.P.R. Express prepaid

CASES 4 cartons 214 lbs.

YOUR ORDER NO. _____

INVOICE NO. _____

42	- 6" Colour Shells -	7.50 ea.	315. 00
3	- 6" Steel Mortars -	10.00 ea.	30. 00

(Note:- \$10.00 each on the three 6" steel mortars will be refunded on the return of same to our plant)

Express charges prepaid-

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April 18th.

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Halifax Civil Emergency Committee,
HALIFAX, N. S.

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*1600 lbs
523 lbs
840 lbs
2 2/3 weeks*

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RETEL TOTAL WEIGHT FIFTEEN HUNDRED NINETY NINE POUNDS NUMBER OF CARTONS
27 WILL REMOVE THIRTY THREE INCH COLOUR AND FLASH REPORT SHELLS
FROM ONE DISPLAY AND SHIP FOURTEEN SIX INCH SHELLS WITH MORTARS STOP
IN FOUR WEEKS TIME CAN SHIP TWENTY EIGHT SIX INCH SHELLS TO BE DIVIDED
BETWEEN OTHER TWO SCOWS ALSO ADDITIONAL QUANTITIES IF DESIRED YOU CAN
THEN RETURN THE SIXTY THREE INCH COLOUR AND FLASH

T W HAND FIREWORKS CO LTD W R HAND

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O R CROWELL

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CIVIL EMERGENCY COMM HALIFAX

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ADVISE BY RETURN WIRE

T W HAND FIREWORKS CO LTD..

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ADVISE BY RETURN WIRE
UNLESS PACKED READY FOR SHIPMENT SUGGEST SHIPMENT IMMEDIATELY PLEASE
CIVIL DEFENSE COM. HALIFAX
O. R. CORWELL
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10 1/2

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AIR MAIL

February 20th, 1945.

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
Director of Civil Defence,
HALIFAX, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

Thanks very much for your letter of
February 15th.

We are enclosing a condensed description
of a Fireworks Display suitable for your purpose.
The cost of three of these Displays is \$2,000.00
F.O.B. our plant, Cooksville, Ontario.

In view of the short length of time at our
disposal, we are working on the assumption that your
letter of the 15th covers a definite order for the
three displays and all that is required at this time
is confirmation on this point by yourself.

The displays will be packed separately and
all boxes and cartons marked so that they can be
picked out without any trouble.

We are including some of the larger shells
in each display. There will be four different sizes
of mortars required for the range of shells on order.
The smaller mortars are not returnable but with the
large 4½" and 6" mortars a nominal deposit is being
charged through covering them and this will be rebated
upon the return of the mortars.

As soon as the display is packed, we will
be in touch with you immediately giving you the
approximate storage space necessary. However, it is



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likely that the approximate number of boxes will be in the neighbourhood of ten to fourteen large cartons or plywood cases. Any small room that is dry and that can be kept under lock and key will be satisfactory for the storage of the pyrotechnics.

It might be advisable for you to arrange immediately with the Military authorities for the storage space so no delay will be incurred in making the shipment.

We are confident that you will be well satisfied with the demonstration and if the directions are carefully followed out, your men will have no difficulty in firing the displays.

We are looking forward to receiving your confirmation of the order and also shipping instructions.

Thanks once more for the order.

Yours very truly,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

W. R. Hand

W. R. HAND

WRH/G.
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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
ARMY

H.Q.,
Halifax Fortress,
11th Feb 1945.

Major O.R. Crowell,
Director Civilian Defence
City Hall
Halifax, N.S.

VICTORY DAY
FIREWORKS

1. The District Ordnance Officer, Lt-Col.
D.G. Ketcheson advises that if he is given
the particulars of space required and the type
of fireworks, he thinks it will be possible to
store same for the City of Halifax in a
heated magazine either at Mellville Island
or Debert.

H.H. Trimble
(H.H. TRIMBLE) MAJOR
B.M. - HALIFAX FORTRESS

cc: D.O.O.
H.Q. M.D. 6

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QUOTATIONS OF STOCK ON HAND

3" - Assorted Colour Shells -	1.85 ea
3" - Specials -	2.25 ea
3" - Colour and Report Shells -	3.35 ea
3½" - Assorted Colour Shells -	2.30 ea
3½" - Specials -	2.85 ea
3½" - Barrage Shells -	4.90 ea
4½" - Assorted Colour Shells -	3.25 ea
6" - Assorted -	7.50 ea
3" - Cannon Shells -	1.85 ea
Special Red Magnesium Roman Candles	12.00 dozen
Tattoo Lights -	15.00 dozen
Large Magnesium Flares -	28.00 dozen
Smoke Generators -	1.50 ea
Extra large Sky Rockets -	2.00 ea
Flight Boxes of Sky Rockets - (72 Rockets in each box) (8 only in stock)	15.00 box
Flight Boxes of Sky Rockets - (48 Rockets in each box) (2 boxes only in stock)	9.50 box
Niagara Falls - (15 showers) -	14.00 ea

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September 19th, 1944

The Mayor and Members of the Council,
HALIFAX, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

In the very near future we will be
celebrating Victory Day.

From our experience in the past, every
municipality in Canada will be wiring or phoning us for
fireworks. Unfortunately, our existing stock of fireworks
will only cover about 25 percent of the demand. For over
a year, all commercial production has been discontinued
due to rush orders from the Department of Munitions and
Supply, and the situation is still the same.

We have just taken inventory of our supplies
and they are being divided up evenly in order to go as far
as possible. Orders will be filled in the rotation that
they are received until the supply runs out.

The enclosed program gives a short description
of a Victory Daylight Fireworks Display. The shells in the
display contain actual flags ranging from three to seven
feet in length. They are attached to parachutes and float
slowly down to earth from a height of several hundred feet.
If a larger number of Thunderflashes or Cannon Shells are
required, an additional supply can be shipped with the
display.

The firing of the display can be carried out
with ease by two or three members of your Fire Department.
Full directions are on all fireworks.

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Our suggestion is to give this proposal your immediate attention, and to place your order by wire. This will ensure delivery and you will have your display on hand for the day of celebration.

Yours sincerely,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

W. R. Hand

W. R. HAND

WRH/G.

V I C T O R Y

DAYLIGHT FIREWORKS DISPLAY

The Display consists of a well-balanced assortment of Flag Shells, containing flags attached to parachutes. The shells are discharged from mortars and explode at a height of over 300 feet, throwing out the flags and chutes. Under normal wind conditions, the flags will travel over a quarter of a mile before reaching the ground.

The assortment includes Union Jacks and Flags of the Dominions of the Empire.

The Cannon Shells are used to signal the commencement of the Display. For additional noise, 20 Thunder-Flashes are included in the Display. These are discharged during the firing of the shells.

- 2 - 3' Union Jack Flag Shells
- 4 - 5' Union Jack Flag Shells
- 4 - 5' Assorted Empire Flag Shells
- 2 - 7' Union Jack Flag Shells
- 10 - 7' Assorted Empire Flag Shells
- 4 - Cannon Shells
- 20 - Thunderflashes

- 1 - Medium size Paper Mortar for 3' Jack Flag Shells and Cannon Shells
- 1 - Large Paper Mortar for 5' Flag Shells
- 2 - Extra Large Paper Mortars for 7' Flag Shells
- 1 - Dozen Portfires
- 1 - Portfire Rod

Note: Cannon Shells - \$1.85 each
Thunderflash - .35 each

PRICE :- \$200.00 Net, Sales Tax Included

F. O. B. Cooksville, Ontario.

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED
Cooksville, Ontario

HCEC
% Dist Ord. off
Willow Park
Halifax

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Air Mail

February 20th, 1945.

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
Director of Civil Defence,
HALIFAX, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

Since writing our letter of this morning, we find that our stock of 6" Shells is practically depleted and these have been omitted from the program. However, we anticipate manufacturing a quantity of these shells during the next four or five weeks. If there is sufficient time, we will eliminate twenty to thirty of the 3" Colour and Flash Report Shells and substitute the 6" Coloured Star Shells.

We trust that this arrangement will meet with your approval.

Yours very truly,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

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March 7th, 1945.

Air Mail

*H.C.E.C.
c/o D.O.D.
Willow Park
Halifax*

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
Director of Civil Defence,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

In checking our supply of 6" Shells, we find that we can only supply you with 14 for use on one of your scows.

In approximately four weeks time, we will be in a position to ship an additional 28 for use on the other two scows and you can then return the 60 - 3" Colour and Flash Report Shells to our plant.

Yours very truly,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

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COPY OF DAY LETTER SENT MARCH 7th. 1945.

Mr. O. R. CROWELL,
DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENCE,
HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA.

WILL REMOVE 30 - 3" COLOUR AND FLASH REPORT SHELLS FROM
ONE DISPLAY AND SHIP 14 - 6" SHELLS WITH MORTARS.
IN FOUR WEEKS TIME CAN SHIP 28 - 6" SHELLS TO BE DIVIDED
BETWEEN OTHER TWO SCOWS, ALSO ADDITIONAL QUANTITY IF
DESIRED. YOU CAN THEN RETURN THE 60 - 3" COLOUR AND
FLASH REPORT SHELLS.

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October 30th. 1944

O. R. Crowell, Esq.,
Director of Civil Defence,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

We wrote to you on October 16th.
advising you the length of time required for firing
a \$450.00 night display of fireworks and the display
of Daylight Flag Shells.

We have already packed the Daylight
Display and are holding it pending your decision
regarding the Night Display. Our suggestion would be
to drop us a line authorizing us to ship the Daylight
Flag Shell Display through immediately so it will be
on hand in case things are finished up in Germany sooner
than expected. In the meantime you will have an
opportunity to thrash out the decision with your committee
regarding the evening display.

Please drop us a line during the next
day or so authorizing us to ship the Daylight Display and
letting us know if you have come to any decision as yet
regarding the evening display.

Yours very truly,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

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Daylight display	—	200 ⁰⁰
Night	✓	550 ⁰⁰
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		\$ 750 ⁰⁰

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October 6th. 1944.

Mr. O. R. Crowell,
Halifax Civil Emergency Com.
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

Thanks very much for your wire dated
October 5th. requesting us to reserve for you one
Daylight Fireworks Display at a cost of \$200.00
pending confirmation of the Council.

As requested in your telegram, we are
enclosing herewith one or two suggestions for an
Aerial Night Display.

The Fireworks listed in these displays
are all in stock at the present time, and shipment
can be made promptly on receipt of your order.

Yours very truly,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'E. B. Guthrie', is written over the typed name of the company.

Secty. to W. R. HAND

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Encls.

SUGGESTED AERIAL NIGHT DISPLAY

\$200.00

- 5 - Cannon Shells
- 12 - Red Tattoo Lights
- 4 - Smoke Generators
- 30 - Thunderflash
- 9 - 3" Assorted Star Shells
- 30 - 3" Colour and Flash Shells
- 12 - 3½" Assorted Star Shells

- 2 - Dozen Portfires
- 2 - Portfire Rods
- 3 - Paper Mortars 3"
- 3 - Steel Mortars 3"
- 1 - 3½" Barrage Mortar)Deposit of \$3.00 on this
mortar, refundable on
return to our plant)

SUGGESTED AERIAL DISPLAY

\$300.00

- 4 - Cannon Shells
- 12 - 9" Coloured Star Shells
- 46 - 9" Coloured Star and Report Shells
- 16 - 12" Coloured Star Shells
- 12 - Red Tattoo Lights
- 4 - Smoke Generators
- 40 - Thunderflashes

- 2 - Dozen Portfires
- 2 - Portfire Rods
- 3 - Paper Mortars 3"
- 6 - Steel Mortars
- 1 - 3½" Steel Mortar (Deposit required of \$3.00 on
this mortar, refundable on
return of mortar to our plant)

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SUGGESTED AERIAL NIGHT DISPLAY

\$450.00

- 6 - Cannon Shells
- 18 - 9" Coloured Star Shells - 9
- 85 - 9" Colour and Report Shells - 30
- 25 - 12" Coloured Star Shells - 12
- 24 - Red Tattoo Lights
- 60 - Thunderflash
- 5 - Smoke Generators
- 5 - 3" Paper mortars
- 10 - 3" Steel Mortars
- 2 - 3½" Steel Mortars.

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Public Offices of Nova Scotia
HALIFAX, N.S.

November 2nd, 1944

O. R. Crowell, Esq.,
Director of Civil Defence,
HALIFAX, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

Our letters apparently crossed in the mail for we wrote to you on the 30th. in connection with the \$200.00 Display and your letter of the 31st. arrived here today.

Regarding the deterioration of the Fireworks. These will not deteriorate in storage and our suggestion would be to have the Displays shipped down to you as soon as the confirmation comes through from the Council, so that they will be on hand for V-Day.

As we advised you on the 30th, the Daylight Display is already packed and ready for shipment and we will proceed to assemble the \$450.00 Aerial Night Display along with the additional \$100.00 worth of Coloured Star Shells. As soon as we hear from you, both displays will be shipped down immediately.

We would like to take this opportunity of thanking you for the orders. We appreciate them.

Yours very truly,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

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October 16th, 1944.

AIR MAIL

O. R. Crowell, Esa.,
 Director of Civil Defence,
 Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Crowell:-

We received your letter of October 12th. regarding the evening and daylight displays.

The \$450.00 display would last in the neighbourhood of twenty minutes to a half hour depending upon the speed that your operators fire the shells. A larger quantity can be obtained at the present time if desired.

The \$200.00 daylight display would be run off in about ten to fifteen minutes. The shells contain individual flags ranging from three to seven feet in length. We still have a small number of flag shells on hand, but if you are contemplating increasing your order, we would suggest you advise us as soon as possible so that the stock can be reserved for your use. If a larger night display is desired than the \$450.00 assortment, we suggest increasing the number of shells and leaving the Tattoo Lights and Smoke Generators as they are now laid out. You will find that the Coloured Star Shells and Coloured and Report Shells are exceptionally effective for they can be seen and heard over a very much larger area than the ground pieces.

We are looking forward to hearing from you again during the course of the next few days.

Yours very truly,

T. W. HAND FIREWORKS CO. LIMITED,

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1	Niagara Falls (15 Showers)		14.00
18	Tattoo Lights	15 ⁰⁰ doz	22.50
18	Red Magnesium Roman Candles	12 ⁰⁰	18.00
90	3" Colour and Flash Report Shells	3 ³²	301.50
30	3" Colour Shells (Assorted)	1 ⁸⁵	55.50
5	3" Special Shells	2 ²⁵	11.25
30	3½" Colour Shells (Assorted)	2 ³⁰	69.00
30	4½" Colour Shells (Assorted)	3 ²⁵	97.50
			<u>647.80</u>
5	Dozen Portfires		
½	Dozen Portfire Rods		
6	3" Steel Mortars		
8	3" Paper Mortars		
3	3½" Steel Mortars (Deposit of \$3.50 each required for these Mortars)		
3	4½" Steel Mortars (Deposit of \$4.00 each required for these Mortars)		

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