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My dearest Ruth, The date reminds me that we have now only 10 days before term begins - & still no news of my leave or demobilisation! Which day have you finally settled to go into the Holt? If any settlement is final? I expect somehow or another I shall come in for the move - I'm sure no move would be complete without me. I had your letter of Jan 2 & 3 yesterday - you are wonderfully good about writing under these trying conditions. You seem to be seeing a good deal of Mrs Brock - at least you have mentioned her several times - I have met him - in Brooke Hall I think - & expect him to be rather interesting; I wonder if he is responsible for the H.M.'s conversion if he has been converted. By the way did you see the H.M.'s speech at the H.M.'s Conference in which he said that we ought perhaps to

I'm very sorry, close has been unwell; please give her my love & tell her
Daddy says she must be gay & happy - not cross.
Your loving George

ami at voluntary Chapel; that seems to be
a very long step for him. I wonder if he has
read Chittin Brock's book & if so what he
thinks of it. I think I shall offer to preach
in Chapel next Quarter - on the grounds that
it is important to have religious teaching other
than the official Church teaching.

A beautiful parcel of chocolates arrived
yesterday - many thanks dearest - they are
very good. I'm very sorry Violet
has had news of her father's leg - please tell
her. I'm afraid that misfortune will not
increase the chance of Violet staying with us.

I have more or less prepared my lecture
for this afternoon & am fairly happy about
it - it is chiefly an outline of the history
of the growth of freedom in England - a difficult
subject to make interesting in so short a time
but I believe it will be rather interesting.

I'm afraid I have very little to say these
days - it is not from want of thinking about
you & longing anxiously to be with you again.