

May 21. Sunday -

My dear Ruth, Only a few lines out of this busy day as I cannot fulfil my promise to Mother in which I started yesterday. I'm to be on a new job - a constructional work; in short I'm to be a foreman & my concern will be bricks & mortar. I can't tell you, dear Ruth, how dangerous this work will be because I don't know. I shall be nearly a mile from the German lines & in daylight our work will be under cover - cover that is in the qualified sense that almost ~~nothing~~ place is perfectly safe if the Germans hate it sufficiently, but they will have less reason to hate that place than this. Nor do I know how long I shall be in charge of this work - the occasion at the moment is the absence & leave of a young lieutenant at Brigade Headquarters; while he is away for the next few days the previous foreman is to take his place. Whether I shall finish the job off after he comes back - which might take 6 weeks or 2 months I can't say. Anyway my dearest I don't think you need be anxious - you know I'm being perfectly frank with you as I said I would. I think

Moreover that I shall like the work; it will be somewhat of an adventure. I shall still live here & start in little more than an hour's time, after dinner.

It was a pleasure to read your nice letter from B'head this morning.

I'm still feeling very slack. I ought to write a letter to-day. It has been hard work sponsoring my unwilling body!

I so often think of you my dear one.

Yours lovingly
George.

Delighted to hear that H.V.R. approves my pamphlet - collect any news you can about that.

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