

March 15

My Darling

This a lovely day, mild and sunny
and smelling of every thing most beautiful.
I was out in the garden with Clara for a
long time and now I am in the winter
garden among a blaze of yellow and purple
of crocuses. If you wish for me in your
cold dark dug out as you said you do in
the letter I had this morning; just think
how much! much I want you here in
the sun & among beautiful flowers.

That's how I feel now on a sunny morning
but really I expect you want me just as
much perhaps more in your dark dug out because
you have it even sun and flowers to comfort
you. Dearest I don't very much like you
being back among the fighting and danger. I know
it is the right place, but I shall be glad
when its over. I feel rather frightened about you.
I had a letter from Maryanne this morning
who says that the man who had taken
their house has been suddenly ordered to

France so its all off. They will have to begin unpacking again and wait for another let. So Diana cant come and they cant come for the week end. Its awfully disappointing but much worse for them.

I think they do have rather bad luck. I hope when ever they do let we shall be able to have Diana but if we are as full with Mary + Barbara we may not be able to manage it.

I'm sure Clive would enjoy having Diana very much. She wont enjoy Barbara she is too young.

I have had a letter from Doris this morning. She says Trafford is back where the fighting is now. So he cant be very far from you. She says they keep hoping that he will be sent back but there does not seem any very immediate prospect. I wonder if she would come down here with Tom. I cant go up to see them. Its not as if one could stay. There + back in

the day is too long a job at present.
She send me a photograph of Tom, he looks
a very pretty baby. She says she is
going to wean him soon. It seems a bit
easily, he is only three months old, but if he
is not satisfied there is nothing else to do.
She could not bring him here when he is
just weaned, she must either come first or
~~wait~~ a month or six weeks I think.

Laying two miles of wire along parapets at
night sound an almost impossible job.
Did it take you all night? And how did
you joyce it to ~~take~~ the other ten miles
of wire, because you said you spoke across
twelve miles. Do you have exchanges out there
with a telephonist to work them, I suppose you
must. It will be very interesting to talk about
it when its all over but at present its rather
a night mare

The beautiful cherries cheese being eaten by
rats was a tragedy. Doesn't you will
ask for things if you can think of any

you want, won't you.

You do seem very fit and cheerful and that is very nice.

I wish I could come out to you. I would be well enough for that journey I can tell you.

Well ~~any~~ way we are both doing our jobs. You how content I am with mine. And yet I would have liked it to fall to my lot to do one of really energetic jobs for a bit. Real work you know. I have never done real work though I have often been busy and energetic enough.

Great love to you dearest

Yours loving

Ruth.

Six aeroplanes are just going over us, on their way to the Somme I expect, it was the right direction. They do make a noise