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My dearest George

I'm beginning my letter after lunch today because I have been to the town and I went with Marjorie and so it took an awfully long time.

The town was crowded with every one we knew and that always takes a long time. I saw Mr & Mrs Heanni and Mrs Ivine & Mrs Wilson and lots of other people who I did not stop to talk to.

I saw one of the people who are doing the Baby Welfare and they are very anxious that I should go down as soon as I can. I think I ought to be rather useful because except Mrs Feeder I think I am the only young mother they have on the committee and its much easier when you are the age as people to get into sympathy with them. I put you a parcel yesterday of messages and ginger. I thought the ginger might be nice for your cold

though it ought to be nearly well by  
the time you get it. I do hope you  
will get the parcel before you move.  
Please don't leave all the ginger behind  
for other people if you can help it.  
I had the sausages cooked this time  
because the weather is warmer and if  
you did not get the parcel quickly  
they might go bad. You can warm  
them up quite well. I think they are  
just as good as fresh cooked like  
that.

As regard my health, which I don't think I  
have mentioned for some days. I am going  
on exactly the same now. I feel a bit  
sick and hoarse after tea, when I go to  
bed & lie still that goes off. And I  
am usually sick once hardly ever more  
now, and occasionally I am sick before  
breakfast now, but not often.

It will just stop of itself in three or  
four weeks or perhaps a little longer  
but it is not bad enough to make me

miserable and I am undoubtedly being  
very fortunate.

Your Mother has heard of a new cure for  
her arthritis and she can't make up her mind  
whether to try it or not. I don't believe  
she would ever stick it. You have to eat  
nothing but raw fruit and vegetables and  
nuts. There are a few exceptions. I think  
the said baked barley is allowed and and  
occasionally baked potato. Considering what  
she eats as a rule I think she would  
starve on it.

Dearest do tell me that you think the war  
will end this year. It must. I do want you  
back so much, that must be the first want  
but I want all the rest too the peace  
means. We are all so tired of war aren't  
we. I do so wish I could somehow cover  
you up with a shield of safety, but I live  
here absolutely powerless, sometimes I could  
cry with impotence. That dear is the worst  
of think of God as limited in power  
because supplications for your safety are

rather useless. I think it is the right way. So many people have prayed & prayed and those the whose lives they have begged have been taken. Oh I hope the Germans will double up before our artillery this spring and that we shan't have a very fearful casualty list to face.

I am anxious to get Mary's answer to my letter I should think I might the day after tomorrow she is usually very punctual in writing. I hope she will come it seems to me so much the best thing she can do.

Dearest do try to think clearly for one minute when you get this letter that I have come myself to kiss you and cheer you if you need it. Its an awfully difficult thing to do I know. But I want you so much to be happy

Some thing good will just be going to happen to you I suppose when you get this letter I hope it will be something very nice.

Yours very loving  
Ruth.