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My own dearest

Again this morning no letter. I expect that hoosid old sensor is hanging it up. I do want to hear so badly what happened next, after you divided from the others. I expect to hear what battery you have joined, I wonder if I shall. I wish you were getting my letters. But you won't have thought me lazy about waiting will you? I have written every day, only on the day I went to London I ralled both days into one and sent them off together because I did not know your address so it was seemed useless to keep on sending letter after letters.

There's the breakfast bell. Mil & I have been up before breakfast making the butter because we are going to Haslemere to see Maajorie this morning and it would not

have left time for the butter after
breakfast. While Mil was doing the
first part of the churning, I finished
my test plate. I finished putting on
all the colonies yesterday afternoon
and today I wrote in the names of
them.

It is such gloomy weather, such a leaden
sky and such continuous wind, it makes
the world more gloomy than the war
alone would.

I think a lot of you dear but it is
hard to tell what you may be
thinking and doing. You may have
been up all night at an observation
post, you may even now be going
into the trenches, or you may
have finished breakfast be smoking
a cigarette wishing to goodness the
day was not so long as that
you had more to do in it.

I hope you won't suffer very badly
from boredom, but I suppose most
people do. Oh when will the war
be over. I shall be very

interested to hear what people think about it all out there. Father was told by a man back from France that every one out there had made up their minds that after the war this is to be a business government, what ever exactly that means, and not more of the present party politics. When you have had time to find out a bit it would be very interesting to hear if you think that people have made up their minds to any such thing. I feel that I should be very glad if party politics could be done away with, and a good deal more business reasonableness brought to bear, but to be governed by nothing but business convenience would be more disastrous than any thing else, and I don't for a moment believe it will happen. I now leave off to collect things for going to Haslemere. I shall finish after lunch.

I've been playing with baby, dear, she is lovely, she is getting sweeter and easier to play with every week.

At this time this morning we went to the weaving place and Manjorie bought stuff for a dress, so did Mill & I. I did not mean to but they had some very nice fine green linen so I said I would have it and they will weave it up on a blue cotton warp when they have time I shall keep it till next year because I shall not need another dress this summer. But stuff a getting harder & harder to come by and more expensive to it's not a bad plan to get something put by.

I saw Pally; she is not at all well Manjorie says that she has the lightest job in the hospital and even that it too much for her. I am sure she ought to leave now she is not necessary there, someone

else could go all night, so it seem silly for her to knock herself up. I did tell her I thought she ought to have. I dont know whether to write and urge it again or not.

I am going to call on Mrs Irvine this afternoon, I want to do that before I go to Birkenhead. If I dont find her visible I shall go and stay the Heanins again. I went last on Sunday the 7th but the house was empty I suppose they had gone out for a walk.

Things seem to have been rather more active than usual on our front the last day or two, I wonder if you have seen anything of it. I dont expect you have, It would not have gone far enough back for you I think

I am going to write to Avie to tell her all I know about you because I am sure she will be anxious to hear. I have been waiting in the hope of getting your permanent address, but I shall wait no longer. When I go

to see her I shall take her some
of your letters to read.

I think I had better stop this
letter now as I shall not get my
letter to her written before I go out.

My dear I do hope you are happy
and that all is well with you

your very very loving

Ruth

