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My own dearest George

At last I am let to write to you again

I do hope you have not been anxious over this foolish second attack of illness. It was ever so much worse than the first and to tell you the truth I was anxious about myself on Tuesday I felt so very ill. The doctor came yesterday & said I had got on extraordinarily well & there was nothing left the matter with my lung at all.

I expect I shall be kept in bed about a week and then spend another week getting downstairs etc. You might almost be home by then if you get home as quickly as H P Fletcher & W. Willet. Wouldn't it be lovely if you were.

I have imagined you coming back to often since I have been in bed it will be lovely. Oh I'm very very glad any happy about peace but one simply can't feel elated & very ill at the same time. However the black days of illness are over & I am very wifey & warm and spending a very lazy day reading & doing nothing by turns. Outside they say

its very cold with an east wind.

I have had two very nice letters from you this morning telling of your visit to Geoffrey Keynes & of your visit to Trafford. What you say about Trafford seems to me most awfully tame.

I am longing to have you home and to have a glorious time with you.

Father can stand quite alone now & so can Beridge but she is best at it.

I am not seeing the children for fear of infection though I dont think there can be much now. Nurse says there is when I bring up phlegm but I have practically stopped doing that now. I was told I might only write a short letter so I didn't go onto another page. I'll write a longer one to morrow.

I wish I could tell you in beautiful language how much I love you. I know you know but I want to do it. We will have a happy time of peace & love at the Holt & we will try and make such a gentle loving atmosphere surround the children that they will naturally drink it in. Your very loving Ruth