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My dearest George

I have finished and sent off your velvet curtain I think it looks very pretty and is a lovely soft colour. Father was quite disgusted when he found that the stuff was being made into a curtain for you. He wanted it to be for a dress for one of us.

I wish things weren't so scarce & expensive. I have just bought 3 doz sheets of card board for making Mondsoni apparatus. I must make all the alphabet myself because there's is so bad. The card board cost 10/- a dozen, but in the end it will save a good lot to make it myself. I have not got the card board yet but I am buying all that the shop is getting in. Curtis had none and held out no hopes of having any.

I think I had better send you a bill today of what I have spent up to date. I can't charge you postage on the flour because I usually send

you a cake in the same box.

I hope that you think think our terms to Turkey satisfactory. They seem to me quite fair. I do so want to know what the council in France will say to Germany. I wish I saw other papers besides the Times. The Times gives one to understand that every one desires Germany to have to make an unconditional surrender. What are the Manchester Guardian's views on the subject, if you are getting yet you might let me know. It would immensely simplify matters if they were to because then we should only have to settle among ourselves what we thought right and just. I want very much to know if you are in favour of the punishment of individuals in Germany who have committed the worst atrocities. I am, but I do hope that if we do punish them people won't glory in it and rejoice about it.

I put a ladder up against a wall this morning and Cleve spent some time climbing up and down it - I helped her climb up the wrong side and hang by her hands. She is completely at ease at the top of a short ladder &

quite evidently has no fear of falling.

I read your article in the Alpine Journal & I like it very much, it gave me quite a rush of desire to go to the Alps myself. I wonder if I could like it as much as I like Skye.

There is a long article by Norman Collic about Skye directly after yours with some lovely photographs in it. Please return the Journal when you have finished with it because I want to read that and other people may want to read your article. I do find a little of the first part rather awkward difficult to follow but that is my only criticism.

I am going to end this letter off short because I spent such a long time finishing the curtain this morning & I don't want always to cut down my reading time specially when I have such a lot to read.

Lots of love to you my dear

Your loving Ruth.