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My dearest George

Robert Graves came here last night. I was out at my cottage service at the time but I was back soon after half past eight.

He seems well now but he was evidently wounded most awfully badly in the lung and he will never entirely get back the use of one.

He seem to have taken to was very kindly and to be very full of trophies and incidents which you say you will never be. I dont think I'm sorry. Its quite interesting to hear them once but it might get awfully boring to hear them over and over again. And yet I dont know why I should say that because you are quite the most unboaring person I know. You never repeat things again & again till one is sick of it.

Robert has to take long walks and much exercise to get the lung back to work. Its a lovely morning so perhaps we shall go for one this morning.

Last night was most dreadfully dark I could hardly walk straight down our hill I had to wear my umbrella in front of me to make

more I was not running into any thing.

I cant make up my mind about those cottage
novies. I have just taken the last and I know
they are going to have more some time and I shall
certainly be asked to take them again. I do
rather like it, the people are nice you know, but
I am quite determined not to district visit and I
feel this is running me rather near it. Well
I have not been asked yet perhaps by that
time I shall have made up my mind.

Are you often up in the night dear. When I wake
up I wonder what you are doing, whether you
are asleep in your hole and tolerably comfortable
or whether you are having to keep awake and do
things out side in the horrid windy darkness.

I do so wish you were with me.

I dont believe the people who are supposed to suffer
most by the war do. Now take Robert Graves;
he has been badly wounded and he has fought
out there for a year, he is just the sort of
person who is supposed to have suffered. But he
said this morning that personally he does
not much mind how long the war goes on.

We have just been out for a good walk through
Godalming and over the Munstead Hill. Very
pretty and sunny and some of the beech trees
are throwing a lovely colour.

We talked a good deal of climbing which is
always a refreshing. He told me of your wonderful
climb to recover your pipe and how the slab was
called after you because no one would ever do it
again, though parts of the mountain are not supposed
to be called after people.

On my way through the town I went and
got the clothes you want with Roberts help.
I thought he would keep me from getting any
thing wrong I would see that the things were
good & that you would not dislike them too
much. I hope you will approve of the pyjamas.
I think the colour modest & harmless. They are
wool with a very slight mixture of cotton which
will help them not to shrink too much. I got
the short drawers with out difficulty and the
shorts. But I believe now that you asked
for vests too. I will look at your letter again
and send them on soon if you did. I do

hope you will find this lot satisfactory. If they
want do send them back. I should think I can
change them.

One of the bonnets that I got on approval for baby
does very nicely and it was not very expensive
which I am glad of. I think if she could get
rid of the spots round her mouth she would
be looking as pretty as ever.

I think Bess has come and I must go and
see her. This is a short letter and rather a
rattled one I'm afraid. I meant to get up
extra early to write to you but unfortunately
I went to sleep again so in the end I did not
get very long before breakfast.

I shall leave this open in case I get more time.
I have n't any more time & must stop.

Your very loving

Ruth.



Handwritten notes in the bottom left corner, including names like "K.K.", "H.V.", and "A.B.", and other illegible scribbles.

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 which I am glad of. I think if you could get
 done very well and it was not very expensive
 One of the reasons that I got an approval for help
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Your very devoted

Brother



H.V.R.
 R.P.
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 G.L.K.
 Bridget
 David
 Mrs. Baker
 Mrs. Mack

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