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My dearest George

I am now writing to you after dinner. I feel that I have live through quite a thrilling day. Not because of what I have done but because Peace may be so very near. All the news from Germany looks as though they will accept our terms. Of course we can't tell what they will feel when they know our terms, they may be hoping for something short of complete surrender & as far as I can see there is no hope of that for them.

To night's paper has the thrilling news that Austria intends to make peace whether Germany does or no. I wonder whether Peace will be the outcome now. I met M<sup>r</sup> Clutton Brock

suddenly in Regent Street this afternoon and said 'It looks like Peace' He was evidently thrilled. Uncle Wilmot has just been here to see Aunt Eleanor, he is back on leave from General Headquarters and he thinks that it will probably be peace now. We may almost know by the time you get this letter.

I wonder if the P.M. ever will come to see you I don't think he will have time.

I spent some time at the London Library this morning first looking in the Reviews for something for you and then for books for myself. I could find anything that I thought would be any use to you.

Things are changing so very rapidly

that the articles written three weeks or a month ago seem perfectly useless now. I have just been looking hopefully at Aunt Eleanor's Fortnightly Review but I can't see anything in it that I think you would want to see, no expression of morant opinion about the War. I think you must get it chiefly from Newspapers now.

I don't believe you will enjoy your velvet curtains for long. I haven't decided on what velvet to have yet though I have seen three possible ones. I shall have more time to search on Wednesday. I bought two strips of Chinese embroidery, those were prices, you know. I found a great pile in Liberty's furniture department + I simply could not resist them.

they were specially good ones, a new lot in that had not even been priced so I rather had my pick, they were 12/6 the two strips so I only bought two pairs.

I went to tea with Bridget. I enjoyed it very much, we had a lot of talk about the children & their education. Pessis and Miranda came down after tea and Bridget played to them while they dined, it was a very pretty sight. Pessis was wonderfully light and charming, and she sang matches of the songs meanwhile. They have had more trouble with her face again which I am very sorry about it is still very swollen.

I went to see Jelly but was told that she was in bed ill, but not very ill. I don't know if it is influenza but I expect it is. I hope she won't have it badly.

Good night dearest ever so much love to you.

Your very loving  
Ruth