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My dearest

I feel quite well today and I expect I shall go on doing so. I don't think there is any hope of getting up till the end of the week because the doctor said I might not till he came again & when they say that they never do come again for a long long time. I'm quite happy in bed for the present, though I shant be for long I know.

I do so wonder dearest when you will come back, I think it might be very soon. I am so excited about it, just think of having you back for good with no more war, with our own house to live in an no more lodgings. It seems almost too good to be true. I want you here to talk to so much, talking by letter is so slow.

I had a letter from David the other day when I was ill in answer to one of mine asking him to come here for a

walk end. I also asked him how Jelly was as
I had written to her and had no answer.
He says that she has had influenza and was
now going about again with her temperature
just up to 99.° and not feeling very well.
I hope she wont have another attack as I have.
He said he did not know what he wanted
to do after he had finished his present
job which would last some months
longer. He might want to go on with his
experimental work.

I have got a horrid pencil I cant write nicely with
it, but I dont like to keep bothering for
things

I am very cross that I am ill this afternoon
because I was very anxious to go to a meeting
that Mary Anne is getting up. It's called
A Young Wives Association or something of that
sort & is supposed to help its members to bring up
their children. There are meetings and different people
speak. I believe a very nice person is going to

Speak this afternoon. Mary Anne intended to have it at the Holt at first but the Mr Fletcher through Mr Radcliff asked her to have it at her house.

I hope Mary Anne will tell me about it presently. I wanted Mildred to go this afternoon but she did not want to go.

It is tiresome being in bed and not being able to get on with any of my plans for the Montessori class or any thing else.

I am having to pay £9 for the second hand Montessori set. It is an awful lot I had hoped to get it cheaper than that. But I have only had that one answer so I must take it. Its a good bit the cheapest way then to get it. I hope I am not a very extravagant person. I think being ill is simply a fearful waste of time & money. Still it is a great blessing I am better, so many people have been very very ill & so many have died. Two among the poor people here that we know have died

during the last. One a boy of seventeen the other the mother of a family, fortunately there is a grown up daughter & none of children are very young.

I have been reading a book by E.V. Lucas called 'Listeners Lure', its all written in letters and is quite a nice mild little romance

I am also reading Sense & Sensibility. I have read it before but a long time ago and I find I have nearly forgotten it.

I must get at some of my more serious books tomorrow. I think I am quite well enough now.

Dearest you can't think how glad I am at times like this that I have Vi for the children's nurse she is so good to them and so trustworthy.

I shall feel terribly lost and anxious without her if or when ever she goes.

Oh my dear George I am simply pining for you to come back. How I hope it will be soon!

I wait you so very badly.

Farewell dearest

Your very very loving

Ruth