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April 1<sup>st</sup> 1939.

Dear Susan & Geoff. Thank you for letters  
recd on Monday. I am sorry Amaryllis is  
troubled with her eyes. I remember she did  
complain of these when seeding & also when  
out. But I thought perhaps it was the snow that  
affected them. I am glad Geoff you are having  
the same help again, but wish you had someone  
now. We are having better weather. Today was  
sunny & bright all day but still the wind.  
The slight was cold. The daffodils are out in  
the garden & the primroses. Auntie M. & Sweet  
to see Brian on Wednesday. Marjorie Baldock  
drove us & two of the Edmunds to & from the  
hospital. Brian is getting more freedom &  
has been all over the men's park of the  
hospital & to the laundry where they have  
machinery wh. interests him. He was disap-  
-pointed that they would not allow him  
home for a week end. He goes to the weekly  
dances & also to the Cinema they have. -  
he takes interest in all we tell him & is on  
very good terms with the Staff. I hope Elsie

got home comfortably & is not feeling worried  
about Elsie, or her Father. Last night  
they had a 'black out' for this area, all  
the lights out from 12 to 4 in the night &  
sirens were set off & ambulance & firemen  
out etc. but it was foggy so the aeroplanes  
could not take part as intended so they are  
to have it again. There is an air raid for  
Rack Street & everything has to look up.  
In Lpool they have been distributing air raid  
shelters to the houses. Poor people get them  
free - they are sunk into the earth & have  
soil on top of them. Polly Conway has been staying  
in London with her brother & also with her niece.  
She expects to come back on Tuesday. Some Devon-  
shire cream was sent her yesterday & as she  
is away we have had the benefit of it & are much  
enjoying it as we are all very fond of cream.  
Bar was in Lpool shopping yesterday, she  
felt it very tiring - up & down so many stairs  
or lifts. The air is clear & hot in the shops.  
In Winnipeg I was frozen outdoors & melted  
in the shops. The station was the best place.

Auntie B. helped me to clear up the attic on Thurs-  
-day, it was very dusty, but there is little  
up there except boxes & an old iron bedstead.  
Barbara likes her help very much. She is  
a nice looking girl, & with good manners. She  
does not speak unless spoken to, & when she  
replies cheerfully. & Geoffrey likes her very  
much. She comes about 8 in the morning & goes  
home at five o'clock. on Wed: she has a half  
holiday & does not come on Sunday. She lives  
at Doreton, & her father & family are 'on  
the dole' - no work. There is a good deal  
of sickness about - many cases of scarlet  
fever & diphtheria - of course Spring is the  
worst time for infectious illness. We are get-  
ting nice cress & watercress, spring cabbages, &  
forced rhubarb. Oh! your letters have never  
been charged overweight. Auntie Nellie  
writes I had had to go to the Dr. & is to  
have 3 weeks treatment, & also that  
Dorothy has been persuaded at last to  
see the Dr. who says she has anæmia

They were hoping she would be going to London so that Marian Wheatley could have come to them at Easter but the Dr. says it would not be suitable for her to go to London.

Barbara is coming to tea with Geoffrey tomorrow - I go there to dinner after Church. Harold is going to take some chairs to Kenneth Washington at Wessall from Mr. Haigh's & is staying there to tea. We get good Jaffa oranges 1<sup>d</sup> each, large ones - no pips & sweet. Spanish ones are cheaper but have many pips & are smaller tho' cheaper. I hope you receive the parcel safely before Barbara's birthday. With very dear love to you all

From  
Your ever loving  
Mother.

Via Southampton.

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