

Sunday, Feb. 11th 1940. 3rd Centurion Drive

Meols.

Dear Susan & Geoff. Many thanks for very
welcome letter rec'd yesterday. posted 22nd Jan.

This paper must be 100 years old - it came
from grandfathers at Hock. but it is rather
like blotting paper. Well the snow has
mostly gone, but still lasts where it was
in heaps. We are glad to see it go the roads
have been blocked up. Cars & buses could
not get up the hill at W. Kirby - a bus
had to be dug out at Stereocall. Cars had
to be abandoned. Even yesterday Dr. Brad
had a spade in his car, as he had to dig
himself clear previous days. We are still
having frost but not as severe. We could not
visit Brian until yesterday when Harold
drove us in his car - wh. was a very comfortable
way of going, but we are late getting there
& can only stay a little over an hour with
him - but when we go by bus we stay

$\frac{3}{4}$ hours. Harold said he could not see
anything wrong with Brian & indeed he was
absolutely normal all the time. Afterwards
we saw the Dr. & asked him if he was not
fit to come home but he said that some days
he is quite all right but other times he speaks
of some wireless exchange that he should be
directing in Canada or some other imagination.
He is much more cheerful - he sees papers &
magazines & takes part in the various duties.
They are to have a picture show this week -
One at least of your letters is missing as it
is over a fortnight since your previous letter
came - it may have been lost at sea or des-
troyed by the I.R.A. when the bomb injured
so much mail at the P.O. Some of the letters
were Liverpool ones. The I.R.A. is such a silly
organization - they always work in an under-
hand way doing harm to innocent people -
Hitler should have them to deal with - they

are birds of a feather. It was wonderful none
was lost on the Drummer when it was tor-
pedoed. I suppose the Irish Americans are
supplying funds to the S. R. A. I have made
3 permits for mine sweepers & Auntie's & M
are also working for these drifting scows &
scoops. Dan has had a cold & so have both
children - Baby rather bronchial - But they
have been so bothered unable to get coal
altho' daily expecting it - they have come
here for several buckets full but it is
very heavy to carry - Dan thought Suffering
was beginning with whooping cough, but fortu-
nately it was a false alarm. I am sur-
prised Annant can knit so well - she tried
so hard to crochet when I was with you -
Dr Brown has been overworked with so many
people ill with flu & other ailments, he
was going to have a day in bed today -
Several of the younger Doctors have joined

The Forces, Dr. Brown is 72 years old.
 Poor Barbara, her ache is so very painful.
 with acidosis - the breath is sweet smelling & she
 child likeless & without appetite. Poor Turkey
 had it badly when younger - he was not allowed
 any fat - no cream - he could have barley
 sugar & plain diet. I still have no water up
 stairs, but I have the main water in the bath
 tub & pantry & I would rather not have
 it up stairs until all fresh has gone as I lie
 awake at night otherwise listening if I can
 hear it dripping & fearing I must get up out
 of a warm bed & mop up my cold water.
 It was Auntie F's birthday on February 2nd her
 ankle is quite well again. You were very successful
 with cheese making - I read that if kept in a cloth
 soaked in vinegar (if then dried) the cheese does
 not mould but I have not tried it. Geoffrey is very
 fond of cheese. With very dear love to you all from
 Mother

Poor is to be for giving about this gas made Tomatoes. Us don't carry or make any.

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