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Dear Susan & Geoff Thank you for letter rec^d today, written Jan: 7th, I hope your comparatively mild weather continued. Your winter came to us - at Ackworth there were 34 degrees of frost, & at Jack's 32 degrees. I don't know what it was here, but very very cold. I have had two pipe bursts & Auntie's one, & almost everyone else same or worse. The plumbers have not known how to get to all the houses - they have knocked up the leaking pipe in the wash-house & turned off the water from upstairs - so I have done upstairs. I had to drop up the flood in the bathroom - fortunately it had not run down the floor much. The wash-house one ran like a river & as the drain switch outside was frozen so dead it was immovable, the pipe had to be hammered up. How - ever we are all glad the frost has gone - but today the N.E. wind is unpleasant & Auntie & I went to the village as usual with Geoffrey in the pram well wrapped up, & coming back we were caught in a regular downpour, but not when we were nearly home with umbrellas, but we were then very wet. Geoff was alright with a macintosh cover over the pram & the hood up - we had to change dresses stockings shoes etc. We have to take our ration books every week to get bacon, butter & sugar - & we get our rations without any trouble. Things are rising in price & the shops are emptier as they cannot get the things from the wholesale folks

the Forces have to be supplied first, but these, the
of keepers will get their supplies renewed. It is a
and thing there was no bombing in England during the

WE'VE ORIGINAL PARIS MODEL AFTERNOON GOWNS AT ONLY

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With compliments,

Yours faithfully,
for Bon Marche (Liverpool) Ltd.,

fresh as they would have
found it difficult to put out
fires with water frozen
everywhere - many villages without water.

David Webster
General Manager

afraid you will get it too. Paper is going up in price
So I am using this tho' I am not without. We were
sorry to hear Ben Waters has had a stroke - was
that the cause of his illness a year ago or is it
more recent? Heart trouble causes people to be
very irritable. Margaret's father is extremely try-
ing & unreasonable at times but it is part of
the disease. It is raining & sleeting again. I had
dinner at Aunties today. I have finished a pull
over for Geoffrey - grey & blue wool. I am now knitting

Steerwomen's gloves (mitts) for sailors, it must be terrible for these this bitter weather & so many have been shelled & torpedoed & had to take to open boats with no warning & no extra clothing. You would be glad to sell the oats Geoffrey. I should think all fruits will go up in price with the war spreading. Barbara still has her maid. She has been after several situations but they were not suitable, so I hope she will decide to stay where she is. Baby Elizabeth is growing much more sturdy, she notices things & grabs hold of things & people & smiles when noticed. She is out a great deal even in the cold weather but well wrapped up & protected by carriage hood - very - extremely comfortable. Auntie D. had a brush pipe, & writes many neighbours without water - but now the thaw is here they will probably have to work!! The gas fire was very bad (probably frozen) so I was thankful for electric radiator in kitchen for breakfast.

The Tynes smell gas & sent word to the Gas Co. who came at once & found a gas main had burst nearby - so the Manager took them to some other rooms for bed & breakfast - & came to bring them back home next morning & he paid the bill 15/1.

Ih was very fortunate it did not occur during the night. Sunday Well, here we are almost snowed up. I am wondering how I am to get

out of the gate to go to dinner at Aunties. it snowed all yesterday ^{at FASHION} intervals all right & now fine hail & a cold NE wind. It is lucky it is not a business day. I have nice waterproof overshoes which have

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been most useful ^{they cost 3/9.} I have been reading some old letters from Aunt very amusing. She said she's funny things.

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The Pynes (Rosa + Agnes) smelt gas one morning in their house, so sent word to the gas Dept. who at once sent men to find it was in a pipe in one of the out houses. PRIVATE INFORMATION. The Gas Manager called & asked them to go to a repairing house for the night.

January 19th, 1940.

Dear Madam, This is an advance bulletin concerning last minute Sale Bargains which will not be available to the general public until next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Bon Marche Sale ends at 6 p.m. next Wednesday. Until that time we shall be disposing of certain merchandise, which must go at any price. No description of these goods could do more to prove the value of this opportunity than the simple list accompanying this letter. We vouch for the comparative prices quoted.

Quantities are not unlimited - and the best bargains will obviously be the first to go. We would, therefore, advise you to study the attached list carefully and come early.

With compliments,

Yours faithfully,

For Bon Marche (Liverpool) Ltd.,

General Manager. only Charles

to bring them back paying the bill (15/-) There have been several cases of fatal accidents caused by leakages from a broken gas main. Harold
Come to dig away the snow, I could not have opened the gate without digging snow hard/wholly away.
I must stop now as this is the
I shall have to post letter today. With dear love always
from your ever loving brother

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