

Sunday July 11th 1926 -

Dear Geoffrey & Brian. We were delighted to have two letters from you yesterday. Auntie's also got one, & Mr. Waigh also received one written a week later so that we shall probably receive one tomorrow - of the same date. Last night I looked out of the window & saw lights all round the horizon on W. & N. brilliant but flickering. I woke Daddy up to look it was so strange we think it must have been the Aurora Borealis - the Northern Lights. We expect Capt. & Mr. Carr on Wed^d afternoon if fine. It is a lovely day so hot, we have been glad to sit in the shade in the garden & we had a cold ^{meal} dinner - boiled salt beef & salad, potatoes & green peas 'oh of Geoffrey's allotment & jelly cream & ~~bread~~ strawberries. Barbara's holiday began on Saturday week & she is going away that day to Sands End near Whitby in Yorkshire for a fortnight returning the Saturday before Bank Holiday. We hope she will have fine weather & a good time. I am glad to say she has quite recovered her health & is very bright. She went to Hilbre Island yesterday with some other girls they bathed & had a good time but it rained part of the time. How fortunate for you to have so much rain after so dry a winter. Our garden is lovely, just one mass of flowers of all kinds. I hope the Fordson will now be a success, very tiresome to have so many dis.

appointments with it but you will have gained much
knowledge & understand the parts more than you
otherwise would. do you think it had had rough
usage before? So Brian you are now using 8 horses
ploughing - is it the three furrows plough you use?
Where is Dorley working now? Like the tomatoes
are growing so well they were big to transplant. I hope
you did not get cold getting so wet Geoffrey at no 15.

The miners are still out & they have been running
fewer trains than usual but in another week
they expect to run the usual summer service of
trains to all parts. They have bought quantities
of coal from other countries & there are also a
few mines working. Geoffrey Haigh is very busy indeed
he helps at Miss Warley's & also has two pieces of land
of his own - one being at Soughell Derric & the other
at the Church (Mr Adams's). Auntie E. came back
yesterday she looks better for the change, she has been
away six weeks. Is Beronie still alive? Please
give our love to all, we should like to see the twins
they must be funny little lads. Well, we are
looking forward once more to seeing our dear
lads before so very long. The days are beginning
to get shorter, but having summer time it is not so
noticeable. With dear love from your ever loving
Auntie E.