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Foster Cliff Farm, Silsden Moor, Silsden,
Yorkshire.

Dear Susan & Geoffrey - We are having lovely
weather again & we are so glad because
Aunties are here for a fortnight. They are
very charmed with the old house, its ancient
furniture, big airy rooms, & the outside
beauty. Lovely views of distant hills &
great trees. We are very comfortable & if it
were not for drinking of Pilsener I should be
very happy here. I have a very comfortable
bedroom with big black oak ancient
wardrobe, a comfortable bed, some chest
of drawers (wh. Harold bought secondhand)
a small wicker table & chair from my
house & also a black wicker bedside
rug wh. I made some years ago. & I am
fresh to the hot water cylinder & over
the kitchen sink will be very warm
in winter. The kitchen is so big

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it never feels too hot even in very warm
weather & the thick walls should also
keep the cold out. This week I tried
as an experiment to make a little butter
with some cream saved up. I used an
ordinary egg whisk & was quite success-
ful. I also made bread & that was almost
too successful with the coal oven - a very
large one - for we ate it all up in less than
4 days! I am expecting to make some tomor-
row again. The children are very well.
But Elizabeth still wakes up crying in the
night & rolling on her stomach. Her throat
is much better. She is not troubled with
it in the daytime or when she sleeps in
the day in her pram. Aunties were
pinning up the hem of an overall for me
& she got a pin & went to her brother
& turned up the hem of her dress just
like mine was being done. She likes

very much to get the book polished + polished
up shoes. I was painting my bedroom grate
with black varnish, + found she had got
Harold's shaving brush + was painting
the wall with water - as I kept my var-
nish carefully out of her reach! We went
to Skipton yesterday - quite a small
town, I bought a dress - ready made - 26/-
I tried for shoes but could not get any to fit -
they don't stock many of the size I take.
Aunties like being able to sit on the Camp
Chairs just outside the kitchen, where
there is a big recess wh: keeps off any
wind + they get a sun bath. I had a very
kind letter from Capt. Cox, he said he
would continue to visit B. regularly, as he
has done formerly - it is such a kind of
him as it is a long way for him to go - he said
B. gave him a very warm welcome last time -
he gets off work if anyone goes to see him.
Jack had not been well, he had ear + throat

trouble but was fast recovering. There are a
great many doctors round here. The partner is very
kind to us. we are not short of any thing & the shops
here seem to have many of the goods that we
could not get in Wales or at home. Auntie &
& I walked to Silsden Cash Wd. There are a
number of small shops there, even some
cakes were obtainable & biscuits & cereals -
wheat peas & dried potatoes & Dr. Walker says we
may have some of the Vale - he has a great
big field of it, he also has brought us several
lettices & the Ryans brought us about
4 lbs tomatoes & also a beautiful old rug made
by Aunt Annaret very many years ago - she
was Dr. Cairns' mother. I am afraid the Ryans ^{having} ~~are~~
(+ have had) a very hard time. Their house is re-
paired but they go to a friend's each night to
sleep - returning in morn. to their own. They have so
many alerts & attacks, their house is near
the sea. Our home place was attacked a few
days since - some damage in the towers. The peas
we eat are coming up well & we have a berry few
rasps wh. the birds enjoy!! Dear love always from
xxxxxxx xxxxxxT xxxxxx Mother.