Oct 26th [1917]

I have just received another letter from you dated Oct 2nd

Dear Sister

I now take the pleasure of writing a line or two trusting they will meet you well as this leaves me well. I might say I have a bit of a cold on me but that is nothing. I am glad to say my knee is very near alright again. I feel but very little of it now.

I received a letter from you a few days ago dated Sep 17th of which I was glad. I was sorry to hear of poor Will Frost though and also Bertie Catchpole. 2 good young chaps ruined for life. Let’s hope they will never want or their parents.

I hope H enjoyed his holiday. I would liked to have been with him. I am looking for the time when I can get on to that bike. It won’t be for some little time but never mind. We want to be a successful issue now we are about it. Well the 11th of October is over and I thought nothing about it, but I suppose you knew about it at home. The time seem to fly to me.

I have just been looking at the old Mercury dated Sep 21st what my mate had come. It is never too old. So Mrs Catchpole didn’t stop out long. I am glad you have got plenty of potatoes, they are the main things. Poor old Poole seem to keep having the luck of it.

Fancy old Bob buying that old lazy donkey. Tell I say he is like a child. He like anything fresh. He want to come here for donkeys. There is hundreds of them and they work. Tell him if he was a little nearer I could set him up with one for about 4/2. We have some about with us cost nothing, buckshee we call them. Anything free is buckshee.

I haven’t seen W Poole yet or W Barber. I don’t’ see anyone now from home. They are kicking about here somewhere. I don’t know where the Suffolks lay now. I suppose Mrs Meadows keep hearing from her husband.

I don’t want for anything now only pocket handkerchiefs. I wish you would send me out 2 or 3 if you can. I don’t mind what sort they are – coloured ones would suit me best, not red ones if you can help it. Glad to hear Aunt Sarah is fairly. Remember me to her and all the rest. I must close now with love to all from

George