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Dear Sister,

Just a line trusting you are quite well as this leaves me. I am in Polly’s front room now and Lily is just come. She is alright. I got here about 7:30 last night so I have got today Sat clear. I shall get back tomorrow night if I anyhow can. I have seen enough of those what don’t get back at their time.

I enjoyed my ride to London very much. It was daylight. When I went it was dark. Tell Obadiah the hop gardens look nice. They are clear, they don’t look as if it is war time.

I was tired when I got here last night. We went for a route march, then I had to hurry and catch the train. I didn’t quite expect to get my pass so soon. Some have asked 2 or 3 times then haven’t got one. Ask Herbert to send me a little more money then I hope that will do till I get my 6 days. I had a good mind to write to you Wednesday for some then I thought perhaps you couldn’t get it.

Well I think this is all this time. Polly tell me Fred Robinson is dead. How do poor old Mrs Robinson get on if they know about Fred it is enough to finish the poor old people up. Jim is going to have tomorrow off with me. The time soon fly away. Poor Mr Harding look bad. He have had 8 weeks at home. I think he won’t want much more work. I was in his last night, well we all was except Jim, he was at work. They have got a gramophone so we had a nice little time.

Love from George