

Dear Mammie!

Last week I sent you & Vera letters on my arrival. I expect by now that you have received them. I shall remain here for at least a month & may be longer. Unfortunately it seems that you will have to do without me for yet another winter. Next year I am entitled to three months holiday & then undoubtedly we shall meet. It seems ages since we parted, and I suppose the girls have so grown, that I shall not recognise them. It's hard lines that things have turned out that way. I am however glad that you keep well & the girls are not denied the opportunity of obtaining the scanty education possible under the circumstances.

Further, it depends on their own initiative and self-will. I am doing all I can, you may rely on that. With the coming of the Labor party into power the way will be paved for better understanding between us & Great Britain which in all probability have an effect on our own position. It is quite impossible of course ^{for you} to realise why I can not do as you would wish me to. But I assure you, that you one day you will agree with me that I did the right thing. I could not write to you for a long time because there was no post where I was, and I waited for the first opportunity to wire you, and do so whenever I could. I shall of course continue to do so all the time in the future.

Meanwhile, while I remain here I will keep writing to you and hope that you will let me know how you all fare. I will write to Olga & Nilda Seyerth in a few days. I will also write to Vera & tell her of the places I saw. Give my love to all of them.

Remember me kindly to all our good friends

as ever
John
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