

April 2 1929 18 Stockleigh Rd
St Leonards on sea

Dear Cousin Mantha

I must now apologise
for keeping you such
a long time with out an
answer to your most
kind & welcome letters.
The first reason was I
sent your letter to my
sister, & she was such a
long time returning it
and I could not remember
your address. I am so
sorry. Mother brought
your letter over to me
I was very glad to get
it but so sorry to hear

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uncle Harry had been
ill. Father hadnt heard
a word about it, we
dont often hear from
Hydd so cannot get much
news, with out Aunt Rose
comes up but she hasnt
been up to see Mother
for quite a long time
I dont think since then
Daughter Daisy went abroad
that is quite a long time
yes the boat accident was
dreadful it was the life
boat Evers of 17. very
dreadful. Father of course
knew all of them the eldest
man being 45 & the younger
17 years of age & he was near

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been found yet it happened
 Nov 15th it was a very sad
 Xmas for them all (Fanny
 one woman lost her husband
 and 2 sons) another poor
 woman 3 sons, and son-
 in-law and another 3 sons
 their were 17 altogether
 & they all lived next
 door to one another they
 have got for the dependants
 30,000 well its not given
 to them yet, they are
 hoping to get it soon
 yes we have had a
 dreadful winter one of
 the worse for many years
 father dont remember
 as had since he as been
 alive father is 72 this

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may I am glad to say
 he as been very well
 this winter with just
 a cold all of us have
 had colds, impossible to
 escape with the dreadful
 cold weather my wood
 pipes the Plummers
 have made their fortune
 they havent finished
 mending pipes yet some
 people have had the
 ceilings in but we have
 been very lucky only
 one pipe out side that
 is for garden use
 that burst but that was
 out side Dear Cousins
 Months this is a dreadful
 scribble my pen as gone wrong

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but I am sure you will excuse it, we are up to our necks spring cleaning so very busy. but I thought I must give you a few lines such as it is I was sorry you had such bad luck with your poultry that was had for you. what a good thing you caught the Foxes. my second fancy Eggs 5 pence a Dozen why we are passing 3/6 & 4/ Doz and during the dreadful War they were 7/6 & 8/ Doz. want that dreadful they are always up to 4/ they go down one week and

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up another. eggs should never be any one than a penny each any time for there's nothing in them I hope your niece will like the Nursing when she as gone through her training. that is the hardest of all I have been told I have done a good bit of Nursing in my time I looked after a Lady for a long time such a poor emble I went with her when she could walk a little a see and at the end she could not move poor thing I used to do every

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thing for her I was then
 11 years. she had an
 operation for her Poor eyes
 at the finish they were
 taken away but she
 was always so bright &
 cheerful I had to leave
 her as I was over done
 and when she died I was
 in Wiltshire she wanted
 to see me. well poor thing
 she couldn't see me but
 she wanted to tell me
 some thing. but I was
 unable to come I have
 always felt sorry as I was
 the last person she saw
 before she lost her sight
 she had such dreadful Pains
 that the operation was necessary

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It was a very bad
 form of Rheumatism not
 the kind that we get
 it was a case on its own
 their used to be Doctors
 from different parts come
 to see her just to experiment
 as it was such an unusual
 case. well I will finish
 with that. we are all
 glad to hear aunt is keeping
 so well for her age.
 Father has a piece of
 garden. its such a
 job to get a piece of
 garden. and the vegetables
 are so expensive to buy.
 he has managed to get
 a piece this month march

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So he is very busy planting
 yes we won't forget the
 Photos when we are taken
 we will try to this
 summer. But its such
 a job to get Father and
 Mother to have theirs
 taken. we were all taken
 on a Post card about 21 years
 ago. only a snap. I sure
 that Father & Mother have
 been taken from that
 and enlarged. that's very
 nice of them being taken
 from a post card. & its
 coloured. its good of
 them both. But you
 see that too long is
 Put in a envelope for post-

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did you get your fortnight
 at the beach I hope
 you did. as a change
 is good for every body
 we usually get our holiday
 in June. we have about
 3 weeks as a rule we
 both feel we should like
 one now but will have
 to wait I expect till
 June. Well I must now
 close my scribble for
 tonight & I will see what
 I can do next time hoping
 you are all well as it
 leaves us all well much
 love from us all your
 loving Cousins Leanne and
 Grace cheer O. & smile
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