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Mid. Wales.

25 Feb

My dear Minnie,

I received
your air-mail letter of the
28th Nov. a few days ago.
Thanks!

I know exactly what
pleasure mother derives
from my letters, because I
feel myself glad when I
see your postmarks. We
have really much to be
thankful for, in as much
as we are able to receive
letters from each other. For
when you come to visualize
the long and hazardous
journey each letter has
to make before it reaches

its' destination - it makes
you wonder how it ever
gets there. For its' a certainty
that Hitler is doing his
best to sink it to the
bottom. We have our
glorious navy and ~~trader~~
merchant seamen to thank.

I am glad to hear that
Dad is doing fine in
spite of everything. Tell
me! is he still running
his shop? at a loss!

I reckon we have all
inherited our stubbornness
from him and poor
mother has had plenty
to put up with. But I
am glad to hear that
you all are doing fine
and at long last are
shaking hands with me
success. Denis has made
a fairly good start

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Let's hope she will be able
to come through with Gys's
colours. By the way, how
is Sunny doing. You
haven't mentioned him
and I have not been
honoured with a letter
from him. Tell him that
one is long for in coming
and will be very much
appreciated. I should be
due a letter from you any
day now and I trust that
she has adorned June's
head with a better hair
style by now.

So Fred is in Calcutta.
Convey my best regards
and wish Matilda and
his dear self and very
happy marriage. Give all
the best to Henry and all the
best to Jackie. I guess
by now they will all

be in action ^{to} against the
gaps and may they blow
Hell out the the fellow
rats. The rotters are
getting nearer and nearer
to India and you all
must be getting prepared
for Air Raids by now.
~~at the time of writing they~~
are only 100 miles from
Rangoon - but plenty
can happen between
that distance so here's
hoping. It will take us
a bit of time to get
organised ~~but~~ as soon
as Wavell gets cracking
& thinks that we will
pay the skunks back
with 200% interest.
I am glad to hear that
the three musketeers are
making bags of money,
but quite honestly, I

don't know - ^{5th} who, you can.
so it John, Hussein and
Abbas? If so, all the
best to the 3 rogues.
Convey my best salams.
How are Ben and Myrtle
doing? Fine I hope!

Convey my congrats and
very best salams to
Flo and Jacob. Isaac
Roy, if my memory is
still good, is no 2. on
the list is it he? or
is he! maybe no 3. I -
I know.

darned if I know.
Anyway, tell Flo from
me, to keep cracking,
she is ~~is~~ doing fine!
I suppose I'd better give
the same advice to
Jacob, after all he
is also er!

It is certainly very

good of Sophie and I am
to invite you all over,
and I hope you all
had a marvelous
time. So then also
I want you to convey
my very best regards.
How is Joan getting
on. She must be a
big girl by now. I
reckon she would
consider it cheek! I
I sent her my love.
Anyway, you will be the
one to cup it if she
objects - so here's wishing
you all the best.

You really must keep
me in touch with the
progress of all the folks
back home. Otherwise,
I shall be forgetting
that they exist. I cannot
mention everybody in
every letter but assume

Then all that I have the
in mind and I should
appreciate a letter from
anyone and they can
rest assured they I
shall reply. How is
Shulley getting on?
Has he recovered?

So Sir Victor is really
and truly paying out
handomly. Good for
him. I trust his leniency
will keep on booming -
for the sakes of those
he employs.

The best news that
you have imparted to me
is the fact that both
Ige and Dick are
proving their worth both
at games and studies.

Ask the two rascals,
if they remember playing
cricket with Uncle
David on the Green

at the back of 48, Karal
mansions. I suppose
they can tell me how to
play now. Good for them.
They are carrying on
the good tradition
and look like exceeding
themselves more ~~and~~ ^{than} I
~~and~~ myself.

~~The~~ war has definitely
moved over to your side
of the globe. I believe
we have less to fear
than you have. ^{not that}
we have ever feared.

Yes! The Japs are a
bigger menace than
Germany. Russia seems to
have the latter well in
hand. Germany has definitely
taken a bigger bite than
he can chew. Victory
is assured but there
seems no hope of a
speedy decision - unless
the unforeseen happens.

and now ^{P.}Minneapolis. I believe
that I have come to the
end of this letter. Mum
is out at sea somewhere
and expects to be back
here any day now. I
hope so, because my
leave is due in a
fortnight and if he
gets back by then, a
provisional time is indicated
in any case, I shall
go to ~~La Paz~~, because
a part of my heart
lives there. So for the
present I'll close down,
sending all my love
to Mum & Dad & all
at home and all
the best to you.

your everloving
brother

David.

P.S.
I'll sell my eye & Dick
I could wish a
letter from you
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P.T.O.

1.1.5.
Tell Emma ^{to} that she is
very much in my thoughts
but I cannot find the
appropriate words right
now. But I would very
much treasure a letter
from her - so here's hoping

Dave
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received photos
very amiable
J. H.