

Just while I think of it - did you take every thing out of bag of seed I sent? There was a small bag inside of big one & if had the clover seed & 3 tuberose bulbs these were peach seeds & other kind that I don't now remember & if they were not in it someone opened bag & took them out, before it got to you. Have you cabbage tomato & sweet potato plants out yet & if so how are they doing. sorry you did not have better luck with your peach. I did not get that vine I said I would send but will try and get it this week so you can get it next Sat. I am so glad that you are taking Walter into you as it will be the making of him to have something to do and also kill the monotony. for there seems to be nothing on earth for him to do unless you do take him & he is naturally a good boy and want him to keep good but if children don't have something to do they will get into mischief sure.

Home  
May 24-08

My dear Sam<sup>rd</sup> Family  
Your very welcome letters and postal received last week. So sorry that you have not yet struck water but keep hoping as that you may do so very soon. About the money John & papa had a talk & papa said he would go my security for the \$200.<sup>00</sup> as John will loan it to you. but I have not made a note for it yet. shall I send it to you to sign or shall papa with his power of attorney sign for you? I remember though that he said that power was only in Hill business so will send you the note and I do hope those sharks will settle with

you this week so you will not have to  
be under so much obligation to John.  
I don't call it that when he gets interested  
but he acts it. I am glad you all went  
to Jackkins and got acquainted & had one  
good time & hope you may have many more.  
Papa wrote for Hill & Edwards to come either  
Mon. Tues. or Wed. of this week as he wanted to  
get things settled before we left Friday  
for Bells. A week from today is Papas birth  
day & we spend several days there. He stays  
until Monday & I some time longer. Don't  
know just how long, & then shall ask Sallie  
& Ben to visit us a week. He is not well at  
all. Bell & I will go there before I come home.  
Bell can't go East until fall as doctor  
said she must be quiet, won't even come  
here. I guess I will have a quiet summer  
& it will be first of that kind for many  
years. 7.25 P.M. Well we are back from a drive  
around by Palmer Derby farm had lunch and  
I am writing again. We faced a cloud that  
looked very bad when going out by Mrs J. S. Smiths  
as we started on drive. It did not look bad when we  
started <sup>from home</sup> but kept getting worse until turned to go  
through Searcy farm, <sup>on way from Palmer farm</sup> it seemed to break away  
but commenced raining when at Searcy house  
and stopped by time we got to Perry Luckles. I thought  
as though it would clear off but just before lunch  
was ready a big storm broke loose & it just poured  
& ground covered with water in a few minutes. Still  
you I was glad to have missed it all, and wished  
you could have it down there. My it has rained so  
much & farmers can't get in their corn. too bad if  
rains in spots too much & other places needing water.

I had a nice letter from Clarice last  
week all well except the day  
she was going to Washington. Elinor  
was taken sick as she was dressing  
and so she missed the trip. The whole  
Conference was going besides many  
others & President Roosevelt was to address  
them so it was quite a dis-appointment  
not to get the trip & besides she never  
had been there. Elinor walks all around  
when she can hold onto something &  
stands alone & they think will soon  
walk alone I am so glad to know  
she is doing so well after her trouble.  
Aunt Mary & Mary are spending  
today with Nels as Effie thinks.  
Effie gave quite a party yesterday  
in honor of Miss Nora Can of Kenia  
who is to be married next month. It  
was quite a select crowd of perhaps  
40 or 50. Mrs. John & Martha return this  
week as they say. A nice letter and

Postal from Walter Milton April 19 & 21 at  
Hong Kong China. Came last week & we were  
glad to know he was well and having a good  
time but girls were soon to leave for home.  
I think probably at end of this 4 month cruise.  
I entertained Tues. eve. Wood Club. Last week there  
was a circus that night too. & were out & car  
stopped both ways for them.

How I would love to see you all especially  
the boys. Tell Walter grandmother thinks he  
is getting to be a fine boy to help papa so  
much and that he must help mama too by  
taking good care of little brother, my I would  
love to see him if he is red-headed, I promise  
he will forget me but tell Walter that I  
think I will see him again about the time  
Santa Claus comes. I am on track of some  
one to buy the place. The man you brought  
here has two sons & a daughter going to B.U.  
and I asked them to come & look over place &  
try & persuade their folks to buy. one of the boys  
came & then had recitations. They were to go  
home last Friday so would have a good chance  
to talk it over. I told him to have his mother &  
father. mother especially come & look at place & I  
knew we could make terms all right, so I  
live in hopes that they will buy. they have  
7 boys & 3 girls & youngest child is 2 years old so  
there are lots to be educated & I told the young man  
I thought it time the mother could take it easier.  
and he thought he would like for them both to  
take things easier. Well I must close & will  
to Mills. I wrote Walter before we went drinking.  
Hope you have stuck water long before this.  
Love & best wishes to you all & lots of kisses & hand  
hugs for the boys. You loving Mother

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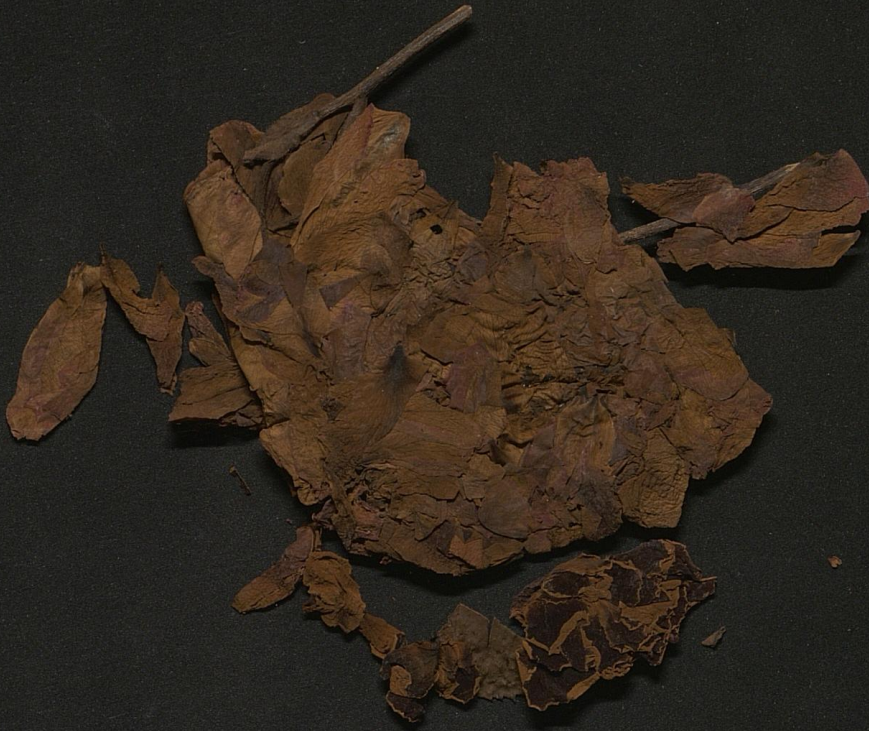
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Easter greetings

Carlinville Ill

My dear Sam<sup>l</sup> and Family April 19-08

You have not been out of my thoughts for some time and my heart aches for you in your trouble and I sincerely hope that every thing may be settled for your benefit and that you may never be at the mercy of such scamps again.

For your sake I hope that the contract will stand until you get enough to be independent but I have all along felt that all was not right and that Mr Hill was not honest, but papa



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Says if he settles this all night  
he will think it is not his  
fault so much and stay by  
him for your sake. I am very  
afraid that they will take advantage  
of time given them to get in all  
they can & then let you both go  
still they have until Mon. & Tues  
to settle so will have to await  
outcome. We see by the papers  
that T. P. R. R. is put out of service  
by big floods near Fort Worth  
I guess that you can not be  
in that district. We have not  
heard from you since last  
Monday but dont know  
whether it is because you have  
not been to P. O. or on account  
of lay out of trains. I dont know

a box of Walter & Cut for some cards.  
 then I sent Walter another box for  
 Grandfather & I. I bought chickens  
 rabbits & eggs & Papa gave me the  
 money for the candy & stamps.  
 I also sent Friday a box with a  
 hat and suit for Walter also  
 some cards for him & some  
 crab apple (extremely large kind) seed  
 and some pecans that I want  
 you to plant & hope you will  
 succeed in getting some of them  
 to grow. I bought hat & paid  
 postage & Papa paid for suit  
 I hope it will fit if not roll up  
 & return by mail <sup>me</sup>. The hat is  
 just measure of cord Nell gave me  
 & if not right is not my fault &  
 best hickory I could get. & that  
 is what she wanted. Mr Burgdorff

got provoked because I wanted  
such a big size, said he could  
wear it & tried to make me take  
smaller but I said I have the  
measure Nell gave me & I intend  
to get that size. For I thought  
it none of his business what  
I got if I paid for it - which  
I certainly did. I thought of  
the hat so many times but  
always had to wait as measure  
was home in little pocket book  
with my watch so I wouldn't  
lose it. finally thought to take it  
with me, wish he could have had  
them for Easter. Tell me if they  
liked the cards I sent.

Papa said he told you of Aunt  
Bell being so sick. It was very  
sudden & she would not be able

to be up before <sup>5-</sup> last of last week  
now down stairs before two weeks.  
I expect I will be the one to go  
with father for Lizzie & <sup>that</sup> Bill  
said he must not go alone &  
Ben being poorly & Alice could not  
go & ~~Bill~~ being sick she could not  
& she (Lizzie) had no girl & Bill  
was there & one of us (she & I)  
must go can you tell which it  
seems to be Bill be the one?

Bill pays the expenses & I never  
have been to Ernest's so it will  
make a nice little trip if I do go.  
will surely hear from them by  
tomorrow. Papa is again talking  
of going to Texas Tuesday if Hackman  
goes & if he does I will go to Blomington  
while he is away even if I don't go to Iowa  
for I would like to see Bill & Ben & meet

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Reports from Eleanor are not as encouraging as I like. I do hope the right thing will be done so the little darling will not always be lame & a sufferer.

How are my little darlings then I can see Walter now as he ran to me to hug me that last day & feel his little fat arms around my neck <sup>see 7</sup> & hear sweet little Pitt's begging face & eyes & voice for me to take him up & how I do wish I could only do it.

Today was an ideal day and we took a little drive around by the Otwell's but they had company so we did not stop. but roads were so rough & shook us up so that we went to Mary's for supper in place of lunching at home as we intended.

Well I must close and go to bed as it is after ten. I enclose a copy of one of my mottoes that I like & which keeps ringing through my mind Love and best wishes to you all Your loving Mother

## God Bless You.

"The Lord bless thee and keep thee,  
The Lord make his face shine upon thee,  
And be gracious unto thee." Num.

I seek in prayerful words, dear son,  
My heart's true wish to send you,  
That you may know that far or near,  
My loving thoughts attend you.

I can not find a truer word  
Nor fonder to caress you,  
Nor song nor poem I have heard  
Is sweeter than God bless you!

God bless you! so I've wished you all  
Of brightness life possesses,  
For can there any joy at all  
Be thine, unless God blesses?

God bless you! so I breathe a charm,  
Lest griefs dark night oppress you.  
For how can sorrow bring you harm  
If 'tis God's way to bless you?



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to kill me off right away but that it  
was mighty good killing anyhow.  
Papa went to Anti-Saloon meetings but  
after noon & night & to Maury for supper  
but I had enough left over for mine,  
with the oranges & grape fruit I had lots,  
Oh! how I do wish you could have some  
of the grape fruit especially as it is not  
bitter like all I have had here before &  
I shall send you some of the seed & try  
to get a grove as it will be a fortune  
to you if you can raise it I will also  
send you some of the orange seed as  
these are the kind that have seeds, are  
good & sweet also but I really do like  
Navels best still they are expensive  
to buy & these will cost you nothing  
& you can have them soon, & after which  
get the other two. Peaches are now in bloom  
here but leaves just beginning to show  
Red birds calling long and loud for Walter  
Walter. Cut-Cut. He will have to send you

Home again

Carlisle Ill

April 5 - 08

My dear Sam<sup>l</sup> Family

I am so dead  
tired and sleepy I can't write you today  
but want you to know I think of you  
will finish tomorrow so good night with  
love to all. - Mother - April 8<sup>th</sup> I had  
no idea when I did not write Sunday  
that it would be this long before I would  
get to write to you but such is life.

I found the Ayers & Mrs. Finley very  
pleasant to visit and had a good time.  
I believe I left off where the Poverello  
were taking their after dinner nap. Well  
while it drizzled all day the Poverello  
took me riding an hour or so in the  
eve before supper and I saw many  
beautiful homes and think that as a

very nice place to live. I stayed with the Porels  
until after nine Friday morning when they took  
me to Mrs Finleys. The green grass trees & flowers in  
full bloom certainly looked beautiful to me when  
I reached Dallas. I guess I must have stirred up  
the elements when I moved as it rained all night  
& you had your storm & it was raining hard when I got  
home. but everything is beautiful & I don't think  
I ever appreciated the beauties of nature as much as  
since I came home. However I think that you have  
opportunities to have a lovely home where you are  
but of course you can't do it in a day. Even the  
world with the great power behind the sun took  
time to be made ~~in~~ habitable for man. I got to  
St Louis on time at 8:11 P.M. & found father waiting  
for me & we arrived in C. at eleven & found the  
cab waiting that had been ordered & also glad to say  
that my trunk was also here in C. that was  
great getting them to check it through to C. &  
I never had any trouble about it. The basket  
they would not <sup>take</sup> at all so sent it by Ex from Dallas  
and it cost \$1.00. He might have put it in my  
trunk if either had thought about it. Mr Porel  
asked if it couldnt have gone in is why I thought  
about it & I told him yes if we had had sense  
enough to have thought about it in time but  
did not like to open my trunk in depot as knew  
every thing was chucked into a mass & did not  
want to be mortified by opening it.

Papa had made arrangements for our breakfast  
& so Mary sent it up by Augus at 8. I got up  
& put on shoes & stockings & kimona & washed & was  
ready for the fried chicken, gravy, hot biscuit & coffee  
& apple sauce, that came. I then went back to bed  
& stayed until dinner time when dussed. & Papa  
went for his dinner but Augus brought me chicken  
pie, mashed potatoes & gravy, radishes, celery, lettuce salad  
& apple pie. I told Mary I believed she was trying

To tell truth am glad by is gone for <sup>me really</sup>  
that is was afraid he would come down with the  
small pox & you would have him in your hands  
& all take it from selors otherwise wish he  
could have stayed & behind him self.

Some young red birds so you <sup>can</sup> could  
have them too. Monday I did not  
get up until time to go to Liverpool  
dinner. Saw Anna May just as she  
was leaving Marys also saw Ned.  
by way dashed papa if he ever did what  
he said he was going to, to deprive Ned  
of his place & he said, No. I never will  
not, so that is settled as far as he is  
concerned. I staid at Marys until two  
or after then went to Mrs Keps as she  
wanted to see me about Anti Salme  
work. she was not home called to a meeting  
so I went to Club meeting with Mrs  
Ben Rurabee & it was first time I had  
seen her for two months or before  
she was taken sick. She looks fine.  
I then met Mrs Kep & she wanted  
me to get in her rig to talk & dine  
& she said I just must be out with  
the ladies election (next) day I said I

I could not but finally gave in & said by  
ten she wanted me at seven. I was there all  
rest of day except about two hours at dinner  
time. I had pleasure of getting Cha's Morgan away  
from the vultures & take him sober to the voting  
place & saw him vote but don't know which way  
he voted of course. but it was mighty enough to  
know that he would stay sober rest of day as  
they cared no more for him after he voted.  
Monday night I stayed down to hear Bishop  
Mathews (Miller's great friend from Chicago & one of  
his head quarters committee) he was not much  
of a talker but wore out & very much in earnest  
about the cause. Every town in Macomb county went  
dry but Cantonville & Staunton. I mean of those that  
submitted the question. Mt. Olive, Beld., & Bellisfield  
are in full swing & a good thing for us that they are.  
Every thing in Sangamon Co but Springfield & Berlin  
went dry. Decatur went dry. & Bloomington lost by 390.  
Record Herald said 25 Counties in Ill. went dry.  
There was a fight to the finish here yesterday & we  
only lost by 100 & lots of church men helped us  
to lose. just think of it, but dad voted all night  
& that is a good deal. I did not get up today until  
time to go to dinner then went to see Aunt Mary & Mrs  
Holliday & now writing to you. We received from nice  
letter Monday & when I commenced to read about the  
baby. (I walked to dinner & was tired & weak having no breakfast)  
I just sit up & bawled right before Judge & Mrs Peck,  
Mr. Ellis, Chasman, Ned & Mr. Shuman & could not help  
it Oh how I would love to have the kids with me &  
just hug & kiss until we were all tired. It would  
do us all good I know. I haven't written Mill or Beal  
yet so must write & after supper be ready to do so.  
I send Nell a package today & will send hat as soon as  
possible for Walter. With love & best wishes to all <sup>from your loving</sup> mother Au duan



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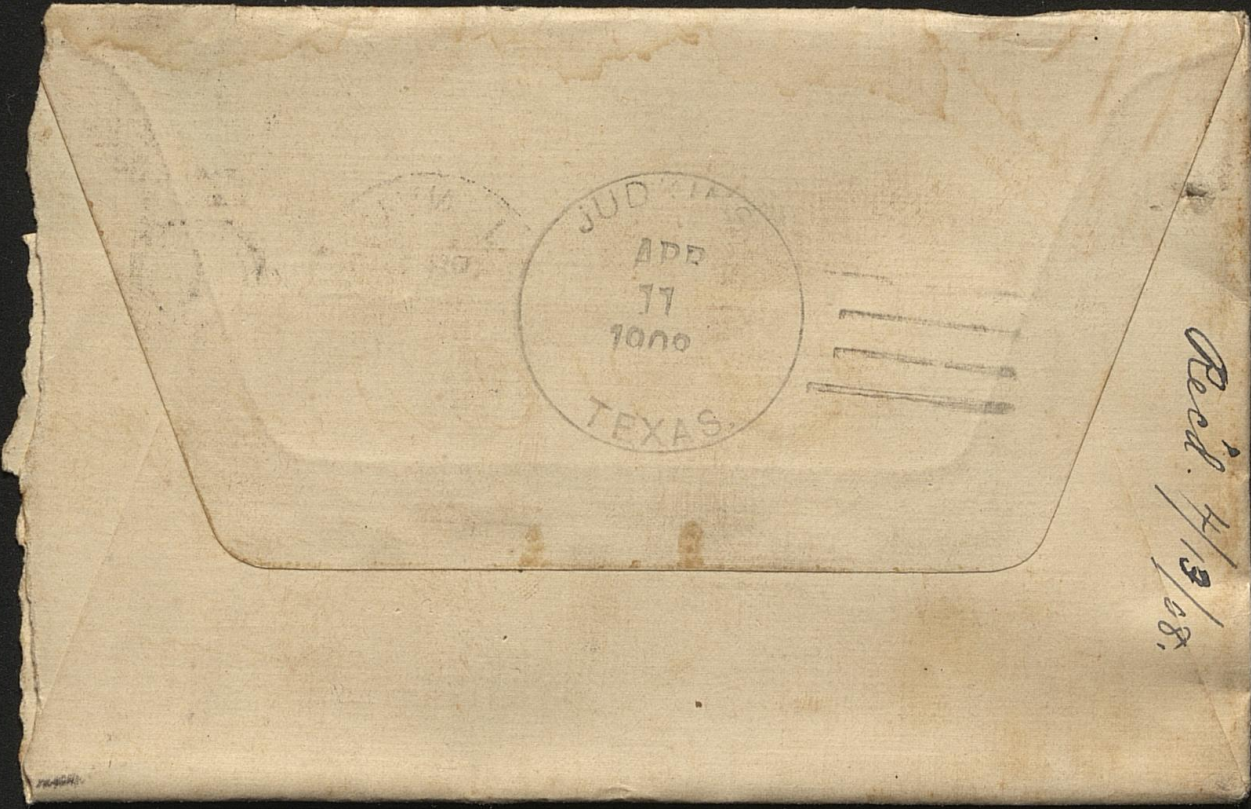
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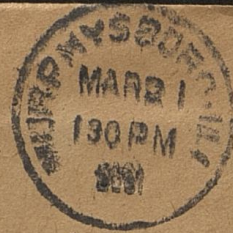
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Mar 21 1908

Dear Sir I Received your  
letter yesterday and was glad  
to hear that the Pup was Ready  
to ship you will find enclosed  
Postoffice order for five dollars  
Please send the Pup to  
DeSoto. Jackson. Co Illinois  
and please drop me a card  
to Murphysboro Illinois  
Then I can watch for him  
hoping you success in the  
Collie Shepherd Business  
I Remain Yours  
Josiah Kimmel

Please send Pedigree with Pup

From Josiah Himmel  
Murphysboro Illinois



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Carlinville Ill.

Mar. 9, 1855

Dear Friend Brit

This being  
about my first opportunity to  
write to you, I will try and tell  
you a little about the dampness  
of Illinois.

We have been having rain for about  
twelve hours, and I think it will  
continue for 12 hrs longer, the  
roads are about as bad as they  
ever get to be, although I made  
a trip to Spilwood a few nights ago  
well you know the roads can't  
get to bad for a trip of that  
kind I'll tell you she was

might be glad to see me again  
 I intended coming up again tonight  
 but am afraid I won't get to on  
 account of rain.

I did not go to Corlona, because  
 I got a letter at Delhart from  
 Anna that she was to be married  
 Mar 4<sup>th</sup> and told me to hurry  
 home and I arrived home in time  
 to act as "most Important" of the  
 Ceremony.

And so Daisy died, well it is  
 too bad, but we know a horse  
 can not live forever so I guess  
 it was her time to go.

What are you doing for another  
 horse now? I guess you could

(3)

get one off Murphys ranch as  
he has plenty of them running  
idle.

I havint seen a Coyote or jack  
for several days. I think I'll have  
to get Mack's pump and winchster  
and go hunting. Has Mack returned  
from Ft. Verde?

I received that letter which you  
enclosed in an envelope and find  
to me it was from Pearl and  
contained fifteen pages.

I will cut it out now and write  
more some other time, write and tell  
me how you are all getting along.

With best wishes

Yours truly yours,

"Will"

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Dear Sir:-

Please send  
me you prices of your  
Collie pups.

and address your letter  
to

James Meeske  
Toronto

S. Dak.  
R.F.D.# 1, Box 29.

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G. H. C. Anderson

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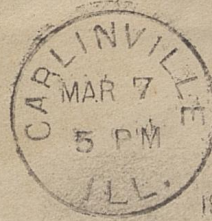
My Dear Son and Family

I was very sorry indeed upon my arrival home from a three days visit in Springfield to hear about Nell's sickness, and needless to say I was and am worried about it. Oh! how I do wish I could slip in and be of some help and comfort to you all.

You must surely have your hands full now to over flowing, and what does the poor little darlings do with mamma down and papa busy every minute as you must be. You must keep us advised as to how you are all getting along, as I guess you will have some one of the neighbors to send ~~word~~ <sup>letters</sup> of only a few words so we will know. Of course I can not expect you to write long letters but a few words will do. I do hope Nell is better and able to be around if only sitting up to cheer you all. but she must not unless she is strong enough as it would only prolong her suffering. I had a nice visit at Mrs Kinchens & it is first time for a year or more I guess since I visited her, but she is not well at all. Today is beautiful and sun feels like spring but east wind is chilly. If it keeps this way we may soon make garden I think. Well my dears I hope for the best and that you may all soon be up and around again. This old pen is awful so I guess that I will stop but must

Say that if you need me be sure and say so for of  
course I will go to you even though fafa said  
some time ago we would not go to that part  
of the state. In fact it don't look as though I ever  
would get my visit - but fafa intends going on the next  
excursion. Well I must stop so good by with love  
and best wishes to you all & hugs & kisses for children  
Your loving Mother

RETURN AFTER FIVE DAYS TO  
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