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January 15 <sup>th</sup>	Well House	Dear Louie,
1888	Bletchley	I write you these few lines to tell you we are all quite well, and hope
		you are the same. I have been expecting a letter from you but have not
		got one. I wrote to you a fortnight today.
		Mother got home safe on Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> , George left home for Ireland on
		Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> at 6 20pm, - would have got back to Eniskillen about
		3 30pm (orillegible), but the ship got lost in the fog, so did not get
		in 'till 7 30pm. We had a letter from him this morning, - he is
		alright and hope we are all the same
		I have wrote to Jim & George at the same time. I suppose George will be at Fermoy very shortly, for he was fetched back so soon because he
		was going on the march. Sarah has sent Jim's baby a little pair of boots,
		and Selina has sent a beautiful piece of blue ribbon to tie up his st-
		(illegible). I suppose you have had some very heavy foggs (sic) in
		<b>London</b> (???). We have had some very bad weather here. I got lost on
		Thursday night, coming home through the fields, and nearly got lost in
		Leon's gardens this morning going to Shenley. It was that dark, I could
		not see the path.
		Sarah is gone to Shenley this afternoon with Miss C. Willetts for a run.
		I must tell you - the pigs grow very fast, and we have got an increase
		with the rabbits. We finished the last one of the 5 last Sunday. The children had a Xmas show on Friday night together with a tea, - they
		enjoyed themselves very well. They have all got some nice books, -
		Sarah has the History of Queen Victoria.
		I think I have told you all this time. We all join in love to you <b>both</b>
		(???). We remain your loving Father & Mother J. & E.A. Jones
		We don't forget to send you both a few kisses
		2 rows for Louie xxxxxxxxxx
		1 row for Selina xxxxxxxxxx
		Hope you will write soon.
February 7 <sup>th</sup>	Well House	Dear Louie,
1888	Bletchley	Just a few lines to say we got your letter and postal order with thanks.
		We was glad to hear you was alright. Mrs Snoxell told me you was
		keeping the Mother company while Cleg was taking care of the son. Me
		and Mrs. Snoxell enjoyed a good laugh together last week.
		I cannot say we are all quite well, as Dr. McGacken won't let Will out
		yet, he is still on the Club tonight - makes his second week - 9/- he has drawn out. The Dr. has ordered him not to go out this month. He will
		have to be kept in doors, for several children about as (sic) had worse
		illness through going out too soon. Mother is pretty well in health, but
		she has a very severe pain in the bottom of her back, - the rest of us are
		quite well. I must tell you, we had a letter from Mrs. Gordon at
		Finchley. She says Sarah is not old enough for her, - Mrs. Bennitt said
		she was too young. Of course, we knew that.
		Please excuse my short letter, - it is 7 o'clock, and I have to go to
		Fenny, so I must conclude with love from all to you, not forgetting Cleg
		and her Jack. Mrs. Snoxell said I was to send a few kisses for her
		(No termination to letter found - as yet)

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February 20 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Well House Bletchley	Dear Lou., No doubt you have been looking for something from us the last few days, but you must lay the blame on dad, - I suppose my back is the broadest. I had not time to write on Saturday, - in fact we had not got the cake made before then. We all ha a good tea off it yesterday (Sunday). Lou's 20 <sup>th</sup> Birthday was on Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> February. I can assure you, I hardly can find time now, - for I have been out all day about Fenny, and called into Hamlin's for what we call a "button hole" for you & Cleg. I have no doubt you both have a nice button hole, but what I have sent will (niments) (missing text) for you for the present, hoping you will find something more suitable in a future day. I have sent you the Fenny 1/2d Tip to have a look at, - I have marked a bit. Mother has poped (sic) in a wipe (?), - perhaps she thinks there is no such thing to be got in London. Very good of her. I have sent you a cut or two of our home cured, because I know you like a bit of pork. (don't laugh!!). Dear Louie, I cannot stop long, because I have to go to the Eight Bells to play. Jane Scott told me she should come down to night. I told her, when I walked part of the way to church last night, that I was going to write to you too day (sic). She wished me to send her kind wishes to you, also Cleg. She, Jane Scott, is most happy to congratulate you on your 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary, and hopes you will enjoy four more such lots. I have a lot more to tell you when I have time, but please excuse, has (sic) I cannot stop a long time to write. So I must wish you Many Returns of the Season - sending you a few kisses from us all. XXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX

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March 18 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Well House Bletchley	<ul> <li>Dear Louie,</li> <li>I now take my pen with pleasure to address you with these few lines.</li> <li>Hope to find you quite well as this leaves us all the same at present, - thank God for it.</li> <li>Dear Lou, Mother takes your fancy work basket in every month, - we shall get the Easter Number and send it up. Mother has got The Fireside Novelette, also the Fenny Stratford ½penny County Observer, - a new paper since you left home. We have no more stamps, so we send them on tomorrow. There is a new tale in the Fenny paper, and if you would like to read it we can send the paper every week, as we take it in regular.</li> <li>Dear Louie, we got a letter from Jim last week, - he said he had not yet answered yours, but should do so as soon as convenient, - no doubt he will have a good bit of news to tell you about his Mary and little Jim and other things.</li> <li>I must tell you, we got a letter from George. He sent us a bit of Sharmock, or what Paddy calls "three leaf grass". We got it yesterday morning, the 17<sup>th</sup> of Old Ireland, or Saint Patrick's day. He (George) said he would write to you and send you a bit if the could get any more. It is rather scarce now.</li> <li>I don't know how you are for cold weather up in Town, we are finelly (sic) nipped up in the Country. The wind makes old snobb Healey's weather cock (Shoe), point over our house, showing the wind is blowing from the north. We have ice every morning in the hand basin, if there is a drop of water left.</li> <li>The above was written before, the under after, Church</li> <li>I must tell you, George is expecting a letter from you before he writes. Perhaps you may drop him a line tomorrow, so he will get it on Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup>, his birthday. We are sending him a little parcel in the morning. Dear Louie, we did not see Mrs. Snoxell at Church this evening. Young Walton was in the choir, but he was off before I could speak to him.</li> <li>Please give our kind love to Cleg, and tell her they are alright in Park St. for anything we know. Tell Cleg I</li></ul>

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April 14 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Well House Bletchley	I was surprised this morning when I got your letter. I went on Fenny post duty, and when I got home, I read what I may say an unfinished letter to them all, - for you only sent a portion of your letter. Mother says you had better come home. But we cannot understand how you can leave in a week. Perhaps you will write again this evening, and tell us more about it. If you post it before 9 0°clock, I shall get it when I go in a 5 tomorrow morning. Jim is coming on Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> , except he makes an alteration. Dear Louie, I should not like for you to go in lodgings in London, for one, I don't know what danger they may meet with. I must tell you to use your own discretion to what you think will be the best for yourself. You are come to the age of maturity now, but we would much rather you come home if you leave, - then you could tell us more about it. I haven't much time for writing now, so I must conclude, and remain your loving Father & Mother J & E.A. Jones. (PS) I suppose you and Cleg are on good terms. So give our kind love to her. We send you both a few Thumps L xxxxxxxxx C xxxxxxxxx We hope to hear better news next time. J.J.		
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September 26 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Well House Bletchley	Dear Louie, I received your letter this morning. I am glad to hear you are well in health, as this leaves us all at home, - thank God. Dear Louie, we had George at home 4 days. He wrote a letter to you last night - no doubt yours and his crossed each other. But, as I know, George's letter would not satisfy you, I sat myself down to say a word or two to you. In the first place, I must tell you not to harbour such foolish ideas as to think your Mistress can search your box before you leave, except she has been missing things during the time you have been in her service, - and not even then, - except she reports it to the police, and
		gets a Search Warrant, and that must be done in the presence of a Police Officer. In the second place, I must tell you that you can leave at the expiration of your 3 months, and also if you go for 3 months trial. But, if you take your wages monthly, you must give a month's Notice, but such Notice must be given in writing (not verbal), and must be handed over to your Mistress on the very same day of the month as you entered her service. Say, you went to your place on 11 <sup>th</sup> of August, you must give your Notice in at 12 o' clock Noon on the 11 <sup>th</sup> of October, to leave on the 11 <sup>th</sup> of November, but as the 11 <sup>th</sup> of November comes on a Sunday, you cannot get your money before Monday the 12 <sup>th</sup> , and if she is any ways obstinate with you, - you need not do any more work after Sunday at 12 noon. You can also demand your money as soon as 12 o'clock midnight is past, - that will the be Monday morning. But, of course, we don't like to come to such niceties. You will wait until it is more convenient, and if she insists of not paying you what is due to you, without a lot of trouble, - you tell her that you will have your money, pack up your boxes, and get them ready for leaving. But tell Mrs. Clarke you won't do any more work, for you are no longer her servant. Neither will you take your boxes off her premises until she pays you what is due. If she refuses to do so, you can call in a Police Officer, and demand your money and boxes at once. If you, or any servant take their boxes away, it is a difficult matter to get money afterwards. You may rest yourself contented about leaving when your 3 months is up, I shall have a little conversation with Mr. Burton of Fenny, - he has been to my house several times for me to do his watch, we are quite intermate (sic) friends. So, I may give you a little more information later on as he has been 27 years in the Metropolitan Police.
		<ul> <li>Dear Louie, answer this as soon as you can.</li> <li>Try and reconcile yourself, for if you write such letters as you have done since you have been at this place, by what I can see of you, you will soon be as bad as your Aunt Sarah. Don't scribble about on the back of the envelope. The postman said "There is an address on both sides". Dear Louie, I did not recolect (sic) on saying I should write on last Sunday week, but I understood you said in the letter I received last</li> </ul>

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Saturday morning week, that you would write on Sunday, - so I was
looking out for a letter from you, and you was looking for one from me,
and both of us got deceived. A few lines more to finish.
Dear Louie, I shall write to Mrs. Clarke requesting that you may leave
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Dear Louie, I shall write to Mrs. Clarke requesting that you may leave her on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. I shall also tell her that I wish you to give her due notice to leave her service at the above date. When I write to her, I will, per. The same post, send you a copy of the same letter, so that you know what I say to her. I shall also send you a Notice, drawn up, for you to copy in your own handwriting. Please send me the Christian name of Mrs. Clarke.

Louie, I must tell you that you are not the only one that has been in such places, for Mrs. Richardson was asking our Sarah, a short time ago, how you was getting on, and when she told her, Miss Plater (??), (Lowndes' Ladies Maid), said she had just such a place once. (Sarah just told me this), and her Uncle had to fetch her away. I will have a little talk to Miss Plater and ask her how she got on about her money. She told Sarah that your Mistress cold not keep you longer than 3 months, Mrs. Jordan & her Sster say the same, so did your Aunt Fox. Your Cousin Ann Flint said if you go 3 months on trial, you are free when you have finished it, so that a re-engagement must be made. No doubt, that is the case where payments are made every 3 months, but not where monthly payments are made.

We had Lizzie Rollings and a friend of hers to see us. They both said you could leave when your time was up. What every body says must be true, so you must cheer up your spirits. You will find a friend in Lizzie Rollings, for she gave us her address, and said you could make your home with her any time you wish to come to see her. The friend that was with her was in her service close by. She said she had been in a place as bad, or even worse than yours, but she had got a good place now, and she meaned (sic) to stick to it, but there was two of her fellow servants leaving, - the cook to get married and the other for something else.

I have promised to go to Dunstable and Luton in about a fortnight's time. Luton is on the Great Northern Railway, and so is Hornsey. Luton & Hornsey is about 26 miles, - 2/2d - or something like that. Ann Flint told me it was only 2/10d from Kings Cross Station to Dunstable Station, so that will be the direct way, - but that I shall make further enquiries about.

Mother, Sarah & Selina is washing this morning, and here am I, all this time writing your letter. Got up about ½ past 6 and haven't had a wash yet, and my old clock is 10-30am. Served (?) the pigs & Rabits (sic), had my breakfast and have been writing all the rest part of the time. Mother thinks I had aught (sic) to come to a close, and I think the same. So must, with love from all, bring an end to this short note. From your Loving Father John Jones.

Address of Miss Lizzie Rollings 55, Ellona Road Natal Road Streatham Surrey

Have read this to Mother. She says you will have to finish reading it when you get to bed, for you won't have time in the day for it.

Must send you a few kisses xxxxxxxxxx

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	Posted this afternoon at 1pm.		

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Oct. 9 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Well House Bletchley	We are all it being Mi Mother is a away to Mother wil doubt, com You must p dinner-time safe. I have I must closs they was al From your	your letter this morr well, thank God. I n iss Lowndes's Wed at the church - no-or this letter (Bot l send you a pair of e together. blease excuse me for e so I must be off. I e scribbled you a No e, with love from al	must tell you we lding Day. We l ne at home, but toom line of page stockings. This r not writing mo hope you will g btice out to copy l. Had a letter fi lother J & E.A.	e letter & parcel may, no ore - it is the ringers' et the parcel and letter off. rom Jim, a short time ago, Jones
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					Sarah is going, because
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		•	t, - God bless you J	.Jones	
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November 4 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Well House Bletchley	<ul> <li>Dear Louie,</li> <li>I now take my pen with pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your welcom (sic) letter, received last Tuesday.</li> <li>You say in your letter you have to whitewash and you are also broken winded. I think you are very easy with Mrs. Clarke. If she was collared off to the mad house, she would not find such easy servants there. Dear Louie, you need not be the least afraid about her stoping you (sic) pay throughnot working enough, for if your case was brough in front of the Magestrates (sic), what she is doing is enough to get her 3 months. Any Magestrate (sic) with common sence (sic) would give Judgement in your faviour (sic). But, has (sic) I have told you before, - have your money before you take your boxes out. I should take things coldly, and say as little as possible.</li> <li>Dear Louie, you talk of going to Bedford, but Mother says she shan't go because George can pop home any Saturday he thinks fit.</li> <li>I have written to him asking him to come home next Sunday week, at least. I asked him to come home on Friday night, so that you could go to the dancing, which is on Friday night. We have it at the Town Hall this season.</li> <li>I saw Jenny Scott when I was going to church too night (sic), - she sends her kind wishes and hopes you are alright, she wants to go to the dance, but has no one to go with.</li> <li>I cannot stop writing any longer, for it is 8 o' clock and Mother and Leanie is waiting to take 3 letters to the post. Fancy yourself at home with them reading Novells (sic) - all very quiet, and your old Bump wispering (sic) in his Mother's car. So I now conclude with kind love from all.</li> <li>From Your Father &amp; Mother J &amp; E.A. Jones</li> <li>We send you a few</li> </ul>		

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November 9 <sup>th</sup> 1888       Well House Bletchley       Dear Louie, Just a few lines to advise you how to go on when you get away. Mothe says she hopes you won't go back into London to fool a lot of money away in toys for the children, as it will do no good. If you wish to buy them any thing (sic), buy them something to ware (sic) when you get home, - then you will see what they need. Toys is no use to them now they are getting bigger.         Dear Louie, You can take train from Hornsey to Dunstable, - it will o cost you about 2/6d and 1/1d from Dunstable to Bletchley. So please come the nearest way home - then you will get here in good time. I wrote to George and got an answer on Wednesday, to say he would home this day fortnight, - so there will be no necessity for you to go to Bedford. We here (sic) of loss of places for servants at Northampton. I shall not stop to write more has (sic) I am going to the dance. So I n conclude with love from all. We remain Your Loving Father & Mother J & E.A. Jones.

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Undated	Cpl. Bedford Rgt. Enniskillen	<ul> <li>Dear Loo,</li> <li>I received you (sic) letter this morning, I was dreaming last night that I had got a letter, so you see my dream come true, - they don't always come true.</li> <li>The sports of the Regt. Was last Wednesday. It was very stormy, but they passed off very well. We had a boat race &amp; several others, including sack race &amp; obsticle (sic) race. My Company are going through their annual course of firing.</li> <li>I should like to go home very well, but I see no chance of getting enough money. I lost several atricles of clothing coming (sic) over. I lost my best tunic, - you know, the one that I wore last at home. I shall have to get a new one, as my old one is too shaby (sic). That will be 15s out of my pocket. I have had to get a new outfit of under cloths (sic). I lost a lot of civillion (sic) things. I lost your silk pocket handkerchief &amp; one that I bought. It does not matter how many handkerchiefs I have, I am bound to lose them.</li> <li>So, I have got no money saved up yet, but I think I shall manadge (sic) six pound. I shan't want much money to spend, but, you see the Railway fare will spoil a Pound each way, - but I hear that there is going to be an excurtion (sic) for two moths (sic) tickets for the furlough season. (usually September - March).</li> <li>I shall have to come and see you if you stop there, - it is a long while since I was at Stony Stratford. I quite recolect (sic) both events very well, for I was there twise (sic). You know where I was at then - was about fifteen years old then, - the first time I had to ride a pony from there to Braddle (Bradwell), I think that is the name of the place. Oh, my poor seat, - had to get off and walk, - rode him back &amp; forgot to deliver a letter, - then I was Dd when I got back. Must close (as you can see the reason) (end of paper), with best love too our old Loo From George</li> <li>Sketch of woman's head My old woman</li> </ul>

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Undated	Enniskillen	Dear Loo,
Undated	Enniskillen	Dear Loo, Received you letter & also you (sic) papers quite safe. We are going to have some new collurs (sic) presented to us Shortly. About sixty men are going to Bedford to escort the new colours & the take the old nes back. You would think that they might take the old ones with them, but they must make two journeys for them pieces of rag. You would not believe what serimoney (sic) there is over them things, but it is very pretty to see it done, - it is call "trooping", - well, they troop the old ones before the new ones are presented to us. We have had a good lot of practice of late. We are confined to Bcks. today, Sunday, - so many men told off for it with ten rounds of ammunition in case of any roit (sic) (riot??). Must close, with best love to you, and remain your loving Brother. My Pet.
		G.A. Jones. Corporal Don't get showing this to any body Geo. Alf. Jones. Corporal or they will think me a fool
		(signature in three different handwriting styles)
		PS I am going to have my photo taken some time, but I don't know when. When I do, I will send you one Remember me to the Parlour Maid.
		Dear Loo, I have not had a sound kiss since I have been hear (sic). I have been for a walk with several girls, - they are mostly alike, but the last one was a scorcher. She was a ginger, - but I am going with a English girl now, well her Father was English & her Mother was Irish, so she is not like the rest of them - an old soldier's child.
		Sketch of head & Shoulders of man with Moustache.I don't know what he is to you.

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Undated	1 <sup>st</sup> Bedf.	Dear Loo,		
	Regt.	You must forgive me for writing with red ink - I could not get any		
	Fermoy	black.		
	Ireland	Well, I have got to Fermoy after a day's travel. We started at 7am and		
		got in Fermoy at 8pm, riding all the while.		
		Now, about the place, well it is a little bigger than Enniskillen & moor		
		(sic) amusement - plenty of dancing. On Friday night the town was all		
		lit up on account of this man being released from imprisonment (sic) (		
		imprisonment), - O'Bryan, I think is (sic) name is. Every house had candles put in the windows in rows. It lit up the owl (sic) (whole) of the		
		Town. They was arranged something like this, with him in the center (		
		sic).		
		Sic).		
		Small sketch of window with two rows of candles & photograph between		
		One house got on fire & some of our chaps put it out.		
		I must close now with best love to you all that is Clara & you together		
		& remain your loving Brother George		

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	1 <sup>st</sup> Bedford Regt. Fermoy Co. Cork	You must forgive me for not writing to you before, but the fact is I have nothing to say. The Town is about the same as the other for seize (sic), but there is a little more amusement. You can get a little dancing, but it is not the same as England, - but we have a tidy dance in the library. All the Staff Sergeants of the Garrison keep it up. I went to it last week, - us corpls. Had a general invitation. Have you seen George Judge lately ?, - I wrote to him a little wile (sic) back, but received no answer. He goes away this month. I have had one letter from home - have wrote home tonight as well as to you. Oh, by the by, I have had two letters from my pet. She has sent me her photo. Must close my short letter with love to you & Clarah (sic), fro your loving brother George. PS Send you a piece of my special drawing ( <b>not attached</b> )			

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14 <sup>th</sup> 1888 March??	1 <sup>st</sup> Bedford Regt. Fermoy	<ul> <li>Dear Loo</li> <li>You must forgive me for keeping you in suspense (sic), - I have not felt much like letter writing. I have sat down to write several times, then scribbled all over them &amp; burnt them.</li> <li>I received your parcel, and like it very much. I am writing this to night, but I shall send it to morrow, Sunday, then I will see if I can get you some shamrock.</li> <li>I am always passing my time away in drawing. I must send you some of my drawings. You are a little nearer to the accadamy (sic), so you will be able to present one of these. I have one about four feet long, and one and a half square - perhaps you might have seen it. I took it from the Graphic, - it is called The Silver Wedding, where the Prince &amp; Princess of Wales &amp; Princes Albert &amp; George &amp; the Princesses H (???) and Loo &amp; Vic</li> <li>I have a good mind to have it framed &amp; sent home, but I could not get it framed hear (sic), well &amp; besides it would cost more than if I sent it up to you to get it done. Do you think you could get it done for me if I sent it up? I. will pay expenses - it would look well in a gilded frame.</li> <li>Dear Loo, you was saying that you felt down hearted, - but you must cheer up, don't give in. I very often wish myself at home when I am got on to, - &amp; I am got on to more tha you are, my dear girl. I have more to please than you, but I know I have to stop &amp; I don't know as I wouldn't care who it is, we all have our trials to bare (sic).</li> <li>I very often wish myself at home, in some employment settled down. I should soon be a married man if I was at home - but I am bet hear (sic) if I only know it. I can get away when I have got five years in, if I still hold my rank by Queen's Regulations, - but we don't know what may happen by then. I may be T. Atkins by then, - you are never sure.</li> <li>I have been full Corpl. now a year last January. I very often think yo myself "I don't give a D which way it goes", but I still hold it, you know. I get twice as much as a Pte. &amp; that is something to look a</li></ul>			
		Loo xxxxxxxxx I must serve you both alike GAJ Cleg xxxxxxxxx PS Don't forget to send the paper if you get it. I am going to write			
		home. I wil tell them to send it GAJ			
		We had a chap taken to hospital this morning, - he is dead to night.			

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25 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Well House	Dear Loo
1888	Bletchley	I am at home again,- just for a few days pass, for I am at Bedford - as
		you know. Father sent your parsel (sic), and also received you (sic) two
		penny letter, - poor girl. Don't you wish you could sell your commission, or resign ?. I supose (sic) you must put up with it for a
		time.
		(N.B. This letter ties up with J.J's of 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept. 1888)
		The Regiment is leaving Fermoy for Aldershot next month, - you must write me a letter to Bedford. Father & Mother are quite well & so are the Children. I had a letter from my pet the day before I came home. Must close, having no more to say this time, - so good night with heaps of kisses and best love from you (sic) loving Brother Geo. Jones Depot Bedford Regt. Kempston Bcks. Bedford

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Feb. 23th 1888	Bletchley Well House	at presen death - y the parce and let u because s she exper about us, you bad, are gettin	Sister a few to let you know t, hoping to find yo ou not writing and to el, your Bill sent the s know if you receive she worries herself so cted you got along w and Mother said yo or what is the matte	u the same. Mot elling us if you g valentine and w e it. I writing the o. Dear Lou, Mo vith Jack('s?) rel u forgot you had r?, - do right (si	on very well as it leaves us ther is worrying herself to got the letter, the valentine, onders why you don't send is unknown to Mother other said, the other day, ations and didn't care d a mother. Dear Lou, are c) and let us know how you t conclude with fond love

John Jones	Selina Jones	Will Jones	Jim & Mary Boorer

George All	Ted Jones Jo	Miscellaneous
Feb. 28 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Well House	My dear Sister, Just a few lines to let you know we have not forgotten you. Father as (sic) been so busy that he as (sic) not had time to write, diging (sic) a grave and going posting, and to day he has gone out, so I thought I would write. We are pleased you got the things alright. Mrs. Jordan sends her love, and Jane Scott and also the Bowlers and Lucy. We have got Harriet Garner's address, but as Father as (sic) not had time, we could not write. I am gald (sic) you are quite well, and Duckie, as you call her Dear Lou, are going to send you the Fancy work basket, and if it is not the right one, you must write and tell us. I should not have minded to play with those dolls. If, Dear Lou, there is any old dolls kicking about, and they are to be thron (sic) away, you might send them to me. We had a letter from Jim, - says he as (sic) had no letter from you, so he has ask (sic) us to wake you up. They are quite well, as it leaves them at present, and us the same. Will sent Sarah his Photo, and want (sic) one in return, but Sarah say (sic), he will have to wait. Mother says she would very much like to have her Photo taken, but she hasn't got the money. Mother is a' washing at Ann Sear's to day. Sarah wants to know if she shall send Will's Photo when we next write?. Joe Pedford as (sic) got the sack off the station for stealing coal. Lizzie Sedgewick has got the baby boy, All Fenny and Bletchley has had the measles. We have not heard from George, but we hope he is quite well. Dear Louie, what I have put in the letter, - you will think Mother wants you to pay for the Photo. I have no more to say, so I must (?conclude?), with fond love from your ever Loving Sister Selina

April 15 <sup>th</sup> Bletchley	Dear Sister, Just a few lines to let you know we are all quite well. Father is busy in
	<ul> <li>the field, so I am writing in his stead. Mrs. Jordon send (sic) her love to you and the baby, and the same ourselves. Give our love to Jim and Mary and Bill and baby Jim</li> <li>(Lou must now be in service in Portsmouth, and Mary Boorer has had her first child, - baby Jim - see JJ's letter Jan 15<sup>th</sup>)</li> <li>I will give you a little of Bletchley news. Old Patty Scott died on Monday last, - a thing which Mother cannot remember since she has been in Bletchley, - she was buried on Sunday and Mr Bennett preached a nice sermon about her, Dear Lou, she was ninety four. Alice Scott was married this morning at half past nine, Lizzie Murrey his (sic) to be married on Saturday at eleven o'clock - worse (sic) day of all. We have not heard from your pet. Father told us yesterday that Harry Gaskins as (sic) enlisted in George's regment (sic) for a soldier. Excuse the mistakes.</li> <li>I must now conclude, with best (?), and remain your ever Loving Sister Selina</li> <li>F xxxxxxx</li> <li>M xxxxxx</li> </ul>

John Jones	Selina Jones	Will Jones	Jim & Mary Boorer
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Miscellaneous         Aug. 16 <sup>th</sup> Bletchley       Dear Sister         We got your letter quite safe, and was glad to hear from you. We are all getting on quite well but Mother was getting quite anxious about you. Mother say (sic) it is a good plan to keep your things under lock and key, and she thinks she is a fool, and say(s) you are to take no notice of that girl, and Dad say(s) she is a second Lizzie Jones for bragging. You must keep struggling on, if you can, for three months. I should no(1) stop any longer. We was surprised when we read you had to do the washing.         Dear ou, you must take no notice of the writing and spelling, for old Sally is making such a noise that I don't know what I am doing. It is now just a quarter(sic) to ten, and Mother and old Sally are making the beds, while I are writing this. Poor old Bill as (sic) gone to school with his new knife as Mrs. Ann Sear brough(t) from London, - they arrive(d) home quite says you already. I have not much to say. Jockey (?) sends his love, and Mrs. Jones - I daresay you will know who we mean. Good-bye. I must conclude with best love from all and remain Your Ever Loving Sister         Selina       P.S. Father has not got time to write, has (sic) he is hay-making at Fenny Stratford.         Selina       Good-bye         F xxxxxxxx       S xxxxxxxx         S xxxxxxxx       Bill s so greedy, he wants double	George Alfred Jones J	onn Jones Selina Jones will Jones Jim & Mary Boorer
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Sept. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Bletchley	Dear Sister,		
1888	Bucks	Just a few lines to let you know we are all quite (well). We had a letter		
		from your pet, and on Saturday night, about 9 o'clock, (he) was on Bletchley Station and (we) did not know, but we expect him on		
		Saturday next at Well House. Little Pomp (???), at Fenny Stratford has		
		got (a) brother and Poll is comfortable. Mary Ann Bowler as (sic) got a		
		little girl - had it on Saturday evening, and all the Bowlers send their		
		Love, and Mrs. Jordan send(s) her love.		
		Dear Lou, Mrs. Sear and Mrs. Corkett was in the owl (?) for gossiping.		
		Cousin Flint and two of Clare's little ones were down for four days, and		
		Mother is very glad they are gone home again, and she told Dad I		
		ought to go to service, so she said she knew of a place, and Dad wrote		
		for it and all, - but I have not got to go for the lady had got a servant, and it was in London, and I do not know anything about the place so I		
		might lose myself.		
		I have just wrote to George. Goodbye, - as I must conclude (h)as I have		
		got to go to blow.		
		I will remain your ever Loving Sister		
		Selina		
		XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX		
		XXXXXXXXXXXX		
		XXXXXXXXXXXX		
		XXXXXXXXXXX		
		In John's handwriting beneath		
		Post Office 7-30pm. Just come back from Drayton posting, so I post a		
		letter to both you and George, asking you both to come home next		
		Sunday to the (Feast????). We might never all meet again. I have told		
		George to write to you. I sent George's letter.		

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John Jones **Selina Jones** Will Jones Miscellaneous

ll Jones Jim & Mary Boorer

Sept. 14 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Well House Bletchley	Dear Sister, Just a few lines to let you know we are all quite well, Mother quite well also. We are sending your night dress, and Mother says your (sic) to leave at your three months over, if not, Dad will come and fetch you. Father (h)as been harvesting to day and could no(t) write, but he will write on Sunday. Aunt Fox has come, and she sends her love. Mrs. Jordan sends her love and the same by Mary Ann Bowler and same by Pollie. Miss Madeline Lowndes is going to get married in (on?) Oct.9 <sup>th</sup> to Mr Tr ( piece torn off). We have not heard from George, but we write to him and he never answered it. We ask (ed) him to come to the Feast, but he never came, - and we provided for you and him too. Dear Lou, we had a letter from Jim, and they have ( torn) it very b( ) Aunt Sarah Ruston, better by Jim, and the () others are better. I have no more to say, so I must conclude with best love from all, and I remain Your Ever Loving Sister Selina S xxxxxxx M xxxxxxx K xxxxxx G xxxxxxx W xxxxxxx Aunty xxxxxxx Selina Jones
Undated	Well House Bletchley	Dear Louie, Received (sic) your parcel quite save (sic) and was delighted with it (sic) contents. The jacket fits me a treat. The present (sic) we have bought you is a breakfast cruet, - it is a pink china. Dear Lou, Don't act talk (sic) about scribble,- mine is much worse than yours. Mother is quite well as it leaves us all at present. Dad wrote to Geo. yesterday to come home for the Feast, but he as (sic) not wrote for weeks. Dad has been busy digging a grave for poor W.Crane, - Nell Crane husband, - you know who I mean. She found him lying dead in his box. (signal box perhaps?) On Thursday they move to Brickhill. On Monday, they had to open the gates at Bow Brickhill crossing. Mother went to the funeral and their (sic) she saw Mrs. Bowler and baby is quite well. Edith Goodman gets on very slowly. Mr & Mrs. Jordan send their love. We hope you are quite well, Uncle and Aunt, Jim Mary and the children. Give our love to them, when you see them. I am leaving on Friday - they sail for Ireland on Friday. No more this time from your ever (loving) Sister Selina Jones.

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Mary Boorer

Sep. 28 <sup>th</sup> Bletchley         Dear Sister, I take up my pen with pleasure, hoping to find you alright. E have bad news again to say that Jin was obliged to put Aunt away, as I am sorry to tell you, - Worker said it was no good to worry about it - you must not worry about it. Dear Sister, the reason I write is because Father is busy having his wheat thresh(ed), and poughing his field, and likewise his posting. Bill is as big a scamp as ever, slobbling (1) and kissing the girls. Dear Lou, you ask if I have left off sucking my thumb, - no I haven't. Sarah has left off saying "her-a-mon-her". We have not heard from George since we wrote last to you. Bill Souster sends is (sic) best respects to you. Dear Lou, we are going to have a grand wedding at Bitechley on Oct. 11 <sup>th</sup> . Motther has not been long home, - she has been washing at the new Governess's, Father is out now. Father went to Water Eaten (Eaton) two nights, and earnt 9s 6d - the two nights. I suppose you will make my scribble out. I have no more to tell you, so I must conclude, with best love from your Sister Selina. A few kisses           Father         xxxxxx Sarah         Good Night Mother xxxxxx           Bill         xxxxxx	George Alfred	i Jones Joi	in Jones		will Jones	Jim & Mary Boorer
	Sep. 28 <sup>th</sup>		I take up news aga sorry to te must not is busy ha likewise I kissing th - no I hav heard from best respe alright, b you that I Feast. De Bletchley washing a Water Ea suppose y I have no Sister Sel A few kiss Father Mother Sarah Selina	my pen with pleasur in to say <b>that Jim w</b> ell you, - Mother sai worry about it. Dear aving his wheat thre his posting. Bill is as ne girls. Dear Lou, y yen't. Sarah has left m George since we we ects to you. Dear Lou ut Charley Read said Lizzie James were m ar Lou, I suppose we of on <b>Oct. 11<sup>th</sup></b> . Mother at the new Governess ten (Eaton) two nigl you will make my sci more to tell you, so ina. sses	vas obliged to p d it was no good Sister, the reas sh(ed), and poug s big a scamp as ou ask if I have off saying "her- wrote last to you u, we are gald (s d there was plen harried at Fenny e are going to have er has not been sis's, Father is ou hts, and earnt 9s ribble out. I must conclude	<b>ut Aunt away</b> , as I am d to worry about it - you on I write is because Father ghing his field, and s ever, slobbling (!) and left off sucking my thumb, <b>-a-mon-her</b> ". We have not a. Bill Souster sends is (sic) sic) that you are getting on ity of work. We did not tell , the week before Bletchley ave a grand wedding at long home, - she has been at now. Father went to as 6d - the two nights. I e, with best love from your

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Undated (probably about August - before Selina's Aug 16 <sup>th</sup> letter)	Well House Bletchley Bucks	<ul> <li>Dear Louie,</li> <li>We received your letter quite safe, and was glad to here (sic) you arrived quite safe. How did the old girl like the butter ?. Dad has been very busy, or he would have wrote. We showed Dad your letter, and he said you could please yourself, - there was a home to come too(sic) when you like. I should leave in November, so as not to be there in the dead of winter with all that work to do, - though, most likely, I shall not be at home.</li> <li>Mrs. Bennett took the Friendly Girl Society to Great Brickhill on Monday. She took Bletchley in a Brougham and a Dogcart their (sic), and a Fly and a Dogcart back. Me and Sarah and Mrs. Bennett, Pol. Taylor and Harriett Scott went in the Brougham and the Fly back. The rest went in the Dogcart. I enjoyed myself a treat, - Lady Duncombe provided games for us - Swings and Critch (?) and throwing at Aunt Sally. We had to throw at her, - so I had my go, I threw one stick, I miss her, the second I smash her pipe to pieces. I had (won?) a yard of print. Yesterday I went to Bow Brickhill to the Primrose League. I enjoyed myself a treat. Dancing all the evening and fireworks. Sarah did not go as we had to walk. Mother has sent your pocket-handkerchiefs you left beyond (behind).</li> <li>No more this time, so must conclude, with love to all Selina Jones</li> <li>P.S. Do you know if Jim received my letter, with my Photo?, - as he has not answered.</li> <li>XXXXXXXX</li> </ul>

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May 19 <sup>th</sup> 1888	Well House Bletchley	Miscellaneous         Dear Lou,         I hope to pass at the examinations on the fourth of June. Dear Lou, you         wish to know my character I took at our concert. At first, I took as a         general servant, - I had Miss Essex's skirt and bussel (sic) Sarah's         cotton frock and white apron and Mrs. Bennitt's mob cap. The second         character I took was the Christmas baby. I was a mother. I had Mrs.         Bennitt's big doll in long clothes, and had Mrs. Smith's shawl on,- and
		beinit voig doit in foig cloutes, and nad vist. Siniti v snawi on,- and people said that I was like a woman just come down stairs. Mrs Leon asked me my name - so you see we got on well. For Lou XXXXXX XXXX XXX XX XX X Your Dear Bump XXX for Jim Bill and Jim & Mary A double thumb ( thump)

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Undated	Well House Bletchley	<ul> <li>Dear Lou,</li> <li>Dad says your (sic) got to come home and have a rest. Lenie says that there is plenty of places at Bedford, - plain cooks and house maids that is nearer home, - you can pop home any time. Dad was late with his harvest, - such wet weather. Got the beans up, and some of his Theatch (thatch), and peas home. Got his barley to carry and a few theatches (sic), - his potatoes to dig. Got some nice white turnips up in the field. Be sure and come home, - don't go to Boorers, - come straight home. Dad says you must come home, - don't stop there to be humbugged about. And when you do go out again, have more money a year, to what you're getting now.</li> <li>Fred Collins' father came to see him, and we lodged him hear (sic). When he was going away, he gave me 2/ I gave Mother it. Fred sent a letter to Selina and she come form (from) Saturday to Monday morning. We had a nice party, Saturday and Sunday nights. Ted was hear (sic) and all send our love to you and are well, - all of us except Mother, - she felt sick but is better now and hope you are the same. Mother says that if she could afford it, she would come down and spend a day or to (sic) with you, and two days with Uncle Harry and two days with Jim and Mary and (would) like to see Aunt Sarah.</li> <li>Miss Ivy Lowndes is asked in church last Sunday, for the first time of asking, and also C.Cox and W.Walduck. You will see in the paper, - a child sworn to him.(???).</li> <li>We had a letter from Geo. Old Tom Grace is dead, - died in the union ???.</li> <li>Name the married couples (you) been gone back :-</li> <li>W. Clarke via A. Cox A painter " A. Sear Nellie Bowler married a stranger (!!)</li> <li>Good-bye Good night Your affectionate Brother Bump</li> <li>(In the letter margin) <b>Over goes the show.</b></li> </ul>

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March 31<sup>st</sup> 1888 1888

ed Jones		ohn Jones Selina Jones Will Jones Jim & Mary Boorer Miscellaneous				
Unheaded		in pencil				
	Α	Combination Desi	ired			

Wanted - A wife who can handle a broom To brush down the cob-webs and sweep up the room To make decent bread, that a fellow can eat Not the horrible compound you everywhere meet; Who knows how to broil, to fry and to roast Make a good cup of tea and a platter of toast. A woma who washes, cooks, irons and stitches, And sews up the rips in a fellow's old breeches. And makes her own garments - an item that grows, Quite highly expensive - as everyone knows. A common-sense creature, and still with a mind To teach, and to guide - exalted, refined. A sort of an angel and housemaid combined. L.H.J. Good Friday March 31<sup>st</sup> 1888

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	Written in pencil			
	Hark to the thunder !			
	List to the rain			
	Written in pencil			
	The Sailor Boy			
	Hark to the thunder !, - List to the rain,			
	See the fierce lightning, flashing again. See at your window - gleaming afar			
	Shines a pale taper - like a lone star			
	There a lone Mother, - bending the knee			
	Prays for her darling, - far far at sea			
	In his rude hammock rocked by the deep Lies a young sailor buried in sleep.			
	Sweetly hye's smiling, dreaming of home			
	Here in green England, over the foam.			
	God send him safely to her again			
	God grant her praying be not in vain.			
	Written in Bletchley School at 6 10pm, June 11 <sup>th</sup> 1888			
	Sitting in one of the old desks.			
	(Written on the back of an old envelope addressed, in John's			
	handwriting, to the Revd. W. Bennitt. The Rectory.)			

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			The Stowaway		
			The Stownway		
		The go The sl	Liverpool across the ood ship was floatin ty bright with sunsh	g o'er the deep nine above us	
			ne waters below we	-	
			bad-tempered mari	0	
			jolly a crew ever sa		
		_	t the first mate - a b	-	
		-	od seaman as ever		
			ay he came up from		
		-	ing a lad by the arm		
		-	r little ragged young ought to be home wi		
			by had a face bright		
			blue eyes just like a	-	
			ked up at the scowl	-	
			hook back his long s	-	
			e, in a voice clear a	•	
			ep-father brought m		
		-	id me away down b		
			keep me he could n		
			d me the good ship		
			lifax town - Oh so f		
			g "Now the Good Lo		er"
			dwells where the bi	-	
			ie, said the mate, no		
			me of these great sk	-	
			milk-hearted, soft-h		
		Speak	the truth lad, - now	v do you hear?.	
		The b	oy had a face bright	and winning	
		Clear,	shining with innoc	ent youth	
		He loo	ked up at the mate'	's bushy eye bro	WS
			aid "Sir, I have told	•	
			ate drew his watch	-	
			e'd been taking his		
			in ten minutes more		
			's a rope and good l	v	
		•	minutes went by, al		
		-	he mate "Now lad -		
			ked up, with tears l	•	
			oftly whispered "Ma	• • •	
			on the deck there h		
			his hands tightly cla		east
		As he	must have done ofte	en at home lads	

At night, when going to rest.

Letters as indicated George Alfred Jones John Jones Selina Jones Will Jones Jim & Mary Boorer Miscellaneous Soft came the first words of "Our Father" Low and clear from that dear baby's lips Low as they were, they were heard like a trumpet By each true man on board of that ship. Every bit of that prayer then he went through To "for ever, and ever, Amen" But for all the bright gold in the Indies -----missing line of text-----Off the deck was the boy suddenly lifted And clasped to the mate's rugged breast And the husky voice muttered "God bless you" As his lips to his forehead, he pressed. "You believe me now" cried the youngster "Believe you" - he kissed him once more "You would lay down your life for the truth lad" "I believe you from now ever more". L.H.J. Nov 4<sup>th</sup> 1888

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Undated	Unheaded	Written in Lou's handwriting on good quality notepaper headed
		Kidderminster
		The Sailor Boy
		On a dark and stormy winter's night As the snow lay on the ground
		A sailor boy stood on the quay
		And the ship it was outward bound.
		His sweetheart standing by his side
		Shed many a bitter tear And as he pressed her to his heart
		He whispered in her ear
		Chorus I will be your own true love one
		This parting gives me pain
		If you will be my guiding star
		Till I return again My thoughts shall be of you, my love
		When storms is raging high
		So Fare you well - remember me
		Your faithful Sailor Boy
		It was in the gale the ship set sail
		The lassie standing by
		She watched the vessel out of sight
		The tears be-dimmed her eye. She prayed to him from heaven above
		To guide him on his way
		The lovers' parting words that night
		Did echo o'er the Bay.
		But, sad to say, that ship returned
		Without that Sailor Boy
		For he had died upon the sea
		And the fla was half-mast high. And when his comrades came to shore
		And they told her he was dead
		The letter that they gave to her
		The last lines, sadly, said
		Chorus to last verse
		Farewell my own true love, true love
		On earth, we'll meet no more We shall meet in heaven above
		On that eternal shore.
		We hope to meet in that bright land
		The land beyond the sky
		Where you no more be parted
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# Letters as indicated George Alfred Jones John Jones Selina Jones Will Jones Jim & Mary Boorer Miscellaneous On earth we'll meet no more We shall meet in heaven above On that eternal shore. We hope to meet in that bright land The land beyond the sky Where you, no more, be parted From your faithful Sailor Boy \_\_\_\_\_ Mysteriously, Lou has written I have more songs to write out for you if you would like them. Say when you write next time. I shall expect a letter when I see one, for I know you have not much time, - and won't have now. Goodbye, and may the Lord look side ways at you. (!).

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	In John's handwriting
	in com s minu () rang
	Fenny Stratford
	An Invitation Ball will be held in the Town Hall on Jan. 1 <sup>st</sup> 1889, New Year's Day. The Committee request the pleasure of your Company on the occasion. A full String Band will be in Attendance. Dancing to commence at 9.30 PM.
	Tickets can be obtained from the Committee
	Ladies 1/0 Gentlemen 1/6 Lady & Gentleman 2/6