

7 Granville Tee
Bude -

My own Daily One

Sep 15 - 1942

So glad to get your letter with all the news of arrangements that I was wanting so badly. What packed days you have had! Hope you had a peaceful night fire watching. Glad you slept in an Sunday.

Sent off a parcel today. Hope it will be useful. I put no sugar in it as I sent a lot last time. What I sent was from my reserve (emergency) stock. I must look over your clothes - please send me old socks to mend (& wash if you like) & get ready for you - I have ^{no} ~~none~~ ^{socks} left here except possibly some winter ones put away. I'll send you the soft Jaeger bed jacket if you want it.

G. is right about weddings - she need not yet know that the ceremonial & legal side is for protection - let her have her ideas at any rate while ignorance is not of dangers.

Re. the eclipse - which she watched with great interest & tried to understand my explanation, her remark was "But how can any announce such a thing?" She heard it announced over the Radio.

Had a talk with Miss Weir over the phone -
We decided -

ly. not to learn dancing. Miss W. think
it was a little too much for her -

Penna only to go to school for the first
half of next term - and then they will
keep a record of the actual days she
goes & only charge for them. Mrs Russell
said they did this with Jean the first
two terms - and ~~once~~ ^{one term} charged only 32/- & the
next only 15/-

Then next term she
will not go the first half term anyway
but may start again the second half if
weather is good - What do you think
of that? I thought it was very under
standing of Miss Weir -

Of course they
have a lot of extra girls - so extra fees
and the ones worked are I suppose in a good
position financially -

Here your phone call - cut off - they say
it may be put through again - Hope
there was nothing important you wanted to
say -

Minnie has only 2 letters. Very moderate
just like herself only only without any
great joy among the children. Here are

matter. After G had left the room & P. & I alone P. said very thoughtfully, "Mummiis I think I will have to take care of Gillian". So what you prophesied is coming true already.

Re Grace. Hadn't I told you I had let her go home for a little holiday? During her real holidays she would not go home at all but after school had been on a week or two little things happened which made me think she was a bit homesick so I ~~let~~^{sent} her go home - offering her one or 2 or 3 weeks at home. She said "One's enough". It did her a lot of good. She came back fresh & the children who had been a little difficult with her were so sorry at losing her even for a little time were thrilled at her return. She manages Vera perfectly but - well Gillian can be very difficult for anyone at times. During the long summer days there seemed a lot of time before & after school in which Grace was very helpful - but these shorter days she seems to be away all the time. I have very torn between the idea of getting ~~very~~ Vera & fear of losing Grace & ~~the~~ Vera. The ~~very~~ Vera would solve

the whole problem. If I could only guarantee having her till Grace was 14 - or overlapping + training Grace it would be fine. Any way whichever I have they are bright intelligent girls and such a refreshing change from stolid Joan. Grace is more like me in her temperament + instincts than anyone I've ever met. She can be a handful - just as I can be - but I understand her. She could never be driven, but if her imagination is awakened - she can do marvels.

But she is capable of stuffing everything and simply play with one of Gillian's dolls. She has never possessed a doll herself and I've promised her one for Xmas. Everyone tells her she is too big for dolls - but I told her I had my last doll at 16 years of age - so she tells them this.

Thank you for the Daily Light. (I have another copy here - are you game me!) We read Sep 25. You darling are - I know it will be a trial for you - and you'll need patience. Oh how near I'll be to you in thought all through this trial - Patience, Confidence, Hope - and you'll be perfect + entire worthy nothing -

All our hernia patients had 3 weeks flat.
at St Marys. So dont try & write letters. I'll
ring up Winnie or Donaldson if I'm too
anxious. I hope there will be no hitch anywhere
but you dont know me if you ever think
"Conventari" would sway me in any decision.

I'd take sensible advice - but I'd decide on what
I'd feel was best for those concerned - and it
would not ~~disturb~~ disturb me in the slightest
what other people might think I ought to do.
But please God I'll have you to guide me
for the rest of my life.

How sweet to order two Japanese maples
How long are you thinking of ~~be~~ being in Bude
when you come.

All your arrangements sound very good.

10:30 Have just rung you up - no answer - do
I hope you are asleep - & had nothing important to

All my blackberries are bottled - that is a couple
14 bottles.

Have had a time with the Stiddings today. They left
about 3 or 4 weeks ago for 10 days as he had got
Contractarian leave. Nothing was heard of them all
that time - even the maid was not paid so Rivell
let the house over their heads. Now told
Capt Stidding returns - & K. wont give him the key!!

Conveniently they are money all round. She & the children
were to come tonight. Well Kriels say they may
stay till the end of the month. Gordon knows
what they'll do.

Russells been to Barnstable today to a
dentist - ~~they went and bought~~ ^{for her} ~~which then they~~
went by bus - leaving their bicycles here so
returned here to get them. They had a marvelous
day & found a wonderful dentist - They saw
ships & things. I quite envied them.

Gillian sends you the enclosed cuttings -
These days have been more summerish
than any we've had the whole summer
- we are making the most of them.

If there is anything you can think of that I can
do to help you at any time be sure and let
me know write you darling.

The enclosed cuttings are from Gillian.
All my love my own precious are -
Yours and
Ada.