

49 St John Street
 Folkestone. Eng
 July 31st
 My dear Bert

I hope you received
 our cable, telling you our dear
 Mother ^{had} passed away, it was just
 a little before 12 o'clock on the
 night of July 27th, we could
 see her getting weaker every day
 & it was marvellous how she
 existed so long on the little sips
 she was able to take, she was
 perfectly conscious till the end
 & about 11-30 she looked up
 & told us to go to bed, that had
 been one of her great ~~and~~ troubles
 during her illness, that she would
 keep us from our rest at night,
 we never sat up with her, because
 when bed time came she was so
 anxious for ~~us~~ us to go ^{to bed} but one of

WRITTEN BY LOUISA DAUGHTER OF CHARLOTTE
 TELLING HER BROTHER BERT OF THEIR
 MOTHER'S DEATH.

the other was in & out of her room during the night, & if I sat beside her for a little while she would always say "go back to bed"; & dear Bert last Sunday evening we were all sitting with her & she had been doing a little then she roused up & beckoned me to her bedside & said "give my dying love to Bert, he came & looked over

me just now", I said "yes Mother, as Mother had left ^{that which} but it was all arranged just as he is sure to be thinking of you". The end was quite peaceful, she was very restless all day, she said she was not in any want of pain but so weary, & she every only regret was, that you were unable now & then she prayed to be taken, but at the last after

she had told us to go to bed she settled her head on the pillow & gradually went in her sleep, she laid her 10 best work Father yesterday (Saturday) it was a beautiful summer day, & it was by others wish for W: Lambour to carry out the arrangements & St. John's Clergyman to take the service we were so afraid that there would be a little difficulty about the latter, as Mother had left ^{that which} but it was all arranged just as Mother would have liked, we took her into St. John's Church & by the service, everything satisfactory & our hearts were made there was beautiful flowers for her, & I put your name with mine, as I was

one alone, of course Bert don't
~~think~~ please think of sending money
for it, but I knew it would be
a little comfort to you to know you
were included & if you could how
let me know in time you would
have wished me to do so, it was
a lovely cushion of white flowers
with "Mother" across it in small
~~the~~ mauve flowers, there were
photographs taken, so I hope to
send you some later on. How
dear Bert try to think as we
do that Mother has been spared
much suffering, as we know ~~to~~
with her complaint ~~so~~ & great
age she could not have good health
again, & we know she is at rest.
I will write again very soon of business
arrangements, but I can't go into it just
now. Please give my love to dear Altha
& kisses to the children. Love & Kate



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Louise Goddard and her
daughter Kathleen



Your loving
Sister Nell.

Young Sister
Fred

21 Terlingham Gardens

Folkestone. Kent 11th

Eng Aug 10th

My dear Bert

Your letter of the
28th July arrived on Friday.
& I was glad to know the
sat message reached you
safely. I could not bear the
idea of you not knowing till
a letter could reach you, so
I took it on myself to send
to you & the others were all
pleased I had done so & now
Fred insists that the money
for it should come out of the
general expenses. I think Fred

will arrange to meet Saturday
(Aug 20th) to be settling Aug.

we have the D.'s bill now, so
there is nothing more to wait
for, except we have to notify
the bank a few days before
withdrawal. I will send you
things off tomorrow, I have got
a good strong box & I do hope
they will not get broken & please
let me know when you get them
& if they are all right, the
box will contain, the needle-
work picture, one pair blue
stone china ornaments / small
china ornament (dog) & 1 pair
brass candlesticks, It was
Lair's suggestion that you would

like the candlesticks & we
thought they would pack easy,
the other small dog got broken
long ago, they used to be on the
mantle shelf in Mother's room, I
expect you remember them &
the blue ornaments came out
of Grandmother Sam's old home
& the picture from the other
Grandmother, it used to hang
in the back bed room, the
candlesticks were a wedding
present from Aunt Polly to
Mother. It has not been
~~settled~~ definitely settled about the
marble stone yet, but I will let
you know what is done about it,
at least it has been settled
that we will put a marble

stone, but the last time I saw
Fred he was waiting for another
estimate of cost. I think I
told you dear Bert in my
other letter about the last few
days Mother was alive, if
there is anything else you want
to know please ask me. Dr.
Liderdale attended her, & it
was her wish for Dr. Camburn
to arrange the funeral, old Mr.
C does not personally attend to
much of the business now, as he
is not in very good health & he
has given up altogether attending
funerals, one of the sons takes
his place, everything was carried
out very nicely & just as Mother
would have wished. Now I must
close with fondest love to you all
& kisses to the children. From your

This is a list of flowers sent
for Mother

- Wreath from Kate & Jack.
Cross from Mabel Evelyn & Jack (Kate's children)
Wreath from Steve & family
" " Sam & family
Cushion " Fred & family
" " Lou & Kathleen
" " Nellie & Bert
Wreath " Aunt Lizzie Uncle Jim
& Aunt Polly (Uncle Jack's
widow)
Wreath " Miss Robus (Emmie's husband)
" " Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence
" " Mr. & Mrs. Butler Brooke (my
mistress)

there were very nice bouquets
of flowers from

Mrs Kingsmill

Mrs Powell (London)

Mrs Owen

Four Misses Aunt

Polly Page's daughters

I forgot to put in the wreaths
one from Charlie Page & wife
who live at Dover, & wreath
from ^{Miss} Polly Thorne & her brothers

the Phillpotts.
I am putting a photo of the flowers
in the box & there are some other
photos to come later.

Lellie.