My Dear Ma & Pa,

Just a line to let you know that I am quite well & sincerely hope all of you at home are the same. Sorry that I have kept you waiting such a long time for a letter, but it was really no fault of mine, you know I always write whenever it is possible so nuff said. There was only just time to scribble that PC to you the other day, but it will be better again now.

I received May's letter yesterday & was very pleased to hear that she had news of Fred at last, at the same time I wish it had been better news. Wonder what is wrong with him, not his old complaint I hope. Did you get my letter telling you that I had heard from him?

It is quite alright about the address, it will always find me whilst I'm with the Batt. So some of our mails have gone to the bottom, that is hard luck, I hope this letter does not share the same fate or any more that I write.

Some people have plenty of luck aye, fancy Wal Gray still in Blighty, tell him to stay there now if you see him as it is the best place by far.

I expect that Daisy is back by now, hope she had a good time with you all & is much better for it. Tell Dad I'll not worry about anything for his Birthday now, but will make up for lost time when I do come home, which I hope wont be very long. So you have had Agnes to tea, hope she enjoyed it at Stag Rd, I remember a time when she would not come with your [auntie ?] but we wont rake up bygones & I wish her the best of luck in all things, nuff said.

Will you tell any friends and relations that I will write in good time, but you can guess I had not been able to write much because you & Pa have had no letters & I'm sure no one else has. We are having a bit quieter time now, nearly time too. Thank you very much for what you enclosed in the letter but you must not trouble to send any & let something else go, you understand what I mean, aye. Give my love to the Tids and tell Willie I had not forgotten his post card. He shall have one as soon as I can get it. Well my Dear Ma & Pa, I think I shall have to dry up now. Heaps of love to May, Flo and all the girls also all other relations not omitting you and Pa. Au Revoir From your loving Son

George