

The Mount,  
Lord Romney's Hill  
Ashford Road  
Bearsted

Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> 1946

My Dear Iris  
your letter received yesterday  
with news of your Mother's  
death, came as a great shock  
to me. I am glad she did not  
suffer a long illness. No I  
have had no news from Alby  
since the beginning of the war  
I dont even know whether he  
had to join the Army or not.  
I should have thought he  
would have informed me

of his ~~mother~~ sisters death  
six months ago. it was  
very naughty of him not to  
~~let~~ me know. Well however  
what is done cannot be undone  
you inquire how I am? well  
I am happy to say I am very  
well in health it is only  
my eyesight that troubles  
me especially in reading and  
writing but as D. Dr. I will  
be eighty on the 17<sup>th</sup> Jan.  
1947 I think I am pretty lucky  
I do all my own house work  
cooking etc. look after one  
dog 3 chickens, 3 Ducks 2 cats  
2 baby kittens not to say  
anything of my own shopping  
I was pleased to get your

letter and would be pleased  
to see you, if you and Tvor  
could come down to see me  
with your two little ones if  
they will excuse me calling  
them little ones at 10 P 7 years of  
age. We would talk matters  
over and if Tvor would like  
to stay with me for the hmas  
holidays, he could perhaps help  
me to feed and look after my  
chickens what do you think?  
I am only an old age pensioner  
so if he came he would need  
his own ration book and if  
you could ask his father to  
send me the food money  
and his laundry  
I will be

pleased to make him  
as happy as possible  
I am quite alone here  
as Dimples is married  
and living in Amsterdam  
as her husband is not demob  
yet, he likes the Army they  
are very happy. Margaret has  
gone to live in Cornwall  
with a friend of hers. My sister  
home. Wellington Court has been  
sold and one cottage, so I am  
alone with no one to help me  
with the work of my cottage  
I badly want help which I  
am trying to get from the labour  
bureau, but have not got it yet.  
I am very fond of children