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Dear Father mother & all.

I suppose you think we must be short in writing paper not to have written since I was. the time passes so quick here that you dont know really where you are at sometimes. & especially those exciting times.

2' I was in St. Louis again for about four weeks. Just got back a few weeks ago. my folks were there so they took me along. I saw John Hannon & Ellie I was at their Aunt's house Bridget Mooney I suppose ye know her. A very nice woman & treated me lovely. nothing was too good for me. her name is Mrs Rilly her husband is dead. has only one son & she is very comfortable. the Hannon's also are <sup>mooney</sup> very nice people. you can tell Kitty. I saw them. they wished to be remembered. to you all.

3. well I suppose conditions are pretty bad  
over there. white flour & sugar is very scarce here  
every-body is using Rye flour & corn meal. &  
mostly all the young men has joined the  
army they are leaving every day I fear  
Patt will have to go as there is no way out  
of it. because every body will have to go. we will  
miss him very much. as for John we dont  
hother him but seldom. he is said & lead  
by his wife. & doesnt know his own. so we  
think it best to keep away from them. as  
long as they ~~do~~ get along together. we should worry  
we have to make our own living. you dont  
need to say anything about it when you write.

7<sup>th</sup> to him. as thank God I can get along without  
them. its a pleasure to go into Uncle Thos.  
wife & also the Godwins but let it not worry  
ye any. as I guess his wife is the cause of it.  
we received the letters & Shamrocks glad to  
know ye are well. & was surprised to hear  
Oney was in the convent. well the education  
wont hurt her as she needs it does she like  
to be a nurse how long will she be in the  
hospital for training & how much will it  
cost it isent every body that can be a nurse  
as you need a strong constitution. but you  
can see later. it was now use keeping her  
home any longer I know ye will miss her

how long until Mary's time is served, I  
suppose she will be glad when she is through  
was glad to hear of Maggie Foye's success  
I had a letter from Aunt Honour. luck  
must be in store for them. am sending ye  
the small sum of one pound hope ye  
receive it in time for the races. divide  
it among all of you I mean Lorry Nellie  
Freddie. Julia Annie & Mary & keep some for  
yer selves have a good time. ye will be only young  
once. & dont keep the kids from having all  
the fun they can. every body is well here  
our only wabay is Patt but things may  
be quite pretty soon.

we have been reading in the papers about  
the sein finers in Ireland. have not many  
news to write Can ye get any flour or sugar.  
do ye get good prices for stock. this war  
makes it hard for every body. How is  
Maggie + baby. will bring my letter to  
a finish hope you have it for Easter

Good Bye

with lots of love from your daughter  
Kate. ++++++

to all.

write soon Thanks to Lorry for his nice  
letter + excuse me for not writing to  
him