



Mon: April 23. 1914

Started from 2<sup>nd</sup> London Gen. Hosp.  
at 8 a.m. for Charing Cross.

~~from D.C.~~  
Had a cup of Coffee + Roll + B.  
left at 9.50 for Folkestone  
arrived there 12.15.

Started off in a ~~hoop train~~ <sup>boat</sup>  
called Victoria at 12.30  
had a delightful voyage  
sun shining + smooth waters.  
arrived at Boulogne at  
2.30.

Then all line up together +  
walked to Hotel du Louvre.

Had lunch which cost 5 francs  
then we were told that the  
5<sup>3</sup> hospital was not ready  
so the Unit of the 1<sup>st</sup> + 2<sup>nd</sup>  
London were split up for  
various hospi. The matron +  
many of the staff went to the  
14<sup>th</sup> General. some to the 14<sup>th</sup> Stal  
some to the 8<sup>th</sup> + 13<sup>th</sup>.  
One Sister + 6 R.A.'s myself -  
included were sent to  
Calais to the 30<sup>th</sup> General

London 23

Then we were told to go out  
until 5.30. All the Staff were  
sent to their different Hosts in  
Charabanc. Leaving the Calais  
people behind, who stayed in  
the hotel for the night.

~~Had a high dinner +  
departed for bed at 9 P.M.~~

Our room, 2 beds for nine Stalwarts  
From 5.30 to 8 P.M. we explored

the surroundings went  
into a Catholic Church +  
walked a very good  
distance. <sup>through the town</sup> The day was

beautiful + the country  
very pretty. Streets are  
very narrow + quaint,  
we went up about 100 or  
so steps + houses were built  
on the side all the way up.

8 P.M. we went in + had  
dinner departed for bed  
9 P.M. (Cost 6 franc.)

Yesterday we got up at 8.4. AM  
breakfast at 8.30.

Started for Calais 10.30  
in an express which was  
due at 9.40.

Whilst waiting a train of Wounded  
came in very dirty + tired + some very  
bad

about 100 dirty + dusty ambulances

the general view of the  
country being beautiful.

We past 14<sup>th</sup> General a  
Wimereux. Very pretty  
quarters + by the sea.

Going onward we past  
a German prisoners  
Camps Breaking stones + a

long funnel affair through  
cut the stones small.

The country is very much  
like North Wales.

The weather still beautiful

Sun. April 22<sup>nd</sup> - 1914

Excess Luggage Pd 5.6

Landed at Boulogne Mon 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Expenses

|           |    |             |
|-----------|----|-------------|
| Lunch     | Pd | 5 1/2 franc |
| 1 Cup Tea | "  | 1 franc     |
| Dinner    | "  | 6 francs    |
| Breakfast | "  | 3 franc     |

Arrived at 30 Gen Hosp. Calais

Tues 24<sup>th</sup>

Paid 24<sup>th</sup> 4.14 for mess  
(Spent 50 Centimes for tram fare)  
21 franc

Paid for day 4<sup>th</sup> - for mess 29 .. 30

Total

|       |       |
|-------|-------|
| 5.0   | franc |
| 5.6   |       |
| 5 1/2 |       |
| 1.63  |       |
| 21.50 | Cent  |
| 29.30 |       |
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| 65.43 |       |

710. odd.

244 Jan 10

Uniform allowance  
included Sept 13<sup>th</sup> - 17

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Aug rec: 195.60

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Mon: May 21<sup>st</sup>  
First Money Received on  
Mon: May 21<sup>st</sup> 1919.

|                           | ¢   | Cent: |
|---------------------------|-----|-------|
| Missing                   | 39  | 0     |
| Traveling                 | 18  | 50    |
| fr. June 22 <sup>nd</sup> |     |       |
| Missing                   | 165 | 95    |

arrived at the 53<sup>rd</sup>  
General on Thurs aft-  
about 4.

Had a splendid welcome  
made ourself at home on  
the spot. Back with

Malton Riddel & many good  
Friends

Started duty Sat

July 24<sup>th</sup>

Wed 5/6 - Surgical

Sister Barber, Waiter +  
Jed Butterworth

Tips good not too sweet.

Oct. arriv: Mauritanian

14 Gen. Sprained foot.

Went on leave. ~~many nights~~  
Bad air hands.

Went on leave Nov 11<sup>th</sup> - until  
24

Back on night duty

8<sup>th</sup> of Medical

All serene

New night Super

Name lush.

Bad luck commenced

Air raids galore.

April 22. Bomb H<sup>49</sup>  
by. W<sup>9</sup> everything to atoms.  
Tops of sister's quarters  
no deaths.

Old Cherry very windy  
gets up every night  
braving to get the  
M.H. no such luck.

V.A.D. Force received  
M.H. Good luck  
to the kid, although  
she made the S.M. for  
the Head.

She being a real black  
thorrid. States Taffy!

In day duty 9. W<sup>9</sup>  
with luck, more misery.  
Went to Matron for a  
move to new ward.  
9/5 an awful straps.  
enaved next day 5

14. W<sup>9</sup> S. Preston.

Nearly died with lock.  
Survived the day &  
many weeks quite  
happy, plenty of  
work. heavy surgical  
Had a visitor bed 15  
go round back door  
to see her V.A. D's

got over it after a  
great swallow.  
Happy days with a few  
black ones.

Lush had told that I encouraged  
Annie to call her Cherry & Raspberry  
she had a very red nose & a bet anti-  
A's who in turn did not need encouragement  
Mama's air rands.

Leaves signed for  
went on Wed. June.  
with Hation's pet Mary  
The usual all serene  
nothing exciting.

On boat, mine  
exploded half day.  
Silver Queen & the  
night & the King  
with his spies open

Home with the best of luck.  
Leaves flies.  
Back Wimerent  
wd. 7. Surgical  
Sister Hunter.

A Pet, the darlingest  
Good Nurse to work with.



Arrived

52<sup>nd</sup> Stat. Hosp  
Haror.

Aug: 19. 1918.

Left 53<sup>rd</sup> Stat. Hosp. Boulogne

8. 45. Sun: Aug. 18.

Called Hotel du Nord  
for moving order  
Left Boulogne: 10-5. for Le Harve

Passed Etaples. arrived

Abancourt 5 P.M. Had  
tea American Buffet  
went for a walk to Village  
Starting for Rouen 8. 5  
arr. Rouen 1-25. A.M.

waited at Station for some  
time then eventually  
arrived at the Hotel de  
Bouquet.

Had cup of tea &  
retired for the night 2.30.

Breakfast 8.30. After:  
went to explore the town.  
Firstly to the Museum of  
Natural Hist: which re-  
sounded very interesting. After  
went to Cathedral &  
various Churches etc.

Lunch at 1. P.M.

After: went to market square  
to see the memorial of  
Jeanne d'Arc.  
Went to St. at 3 & re-  
luggage, back to the

Hotel for tea 3 30.

Left Rowen H. D. arrived  
Harve 8.45. Pleasant journey

was met by a sweet sister  
at the R.T.O. where couple  
d done for me.

Had small & dataset at  
at Budget. arrived  
52<sup>nd</sup> - 9-50.

Good welcome, everyone  
very kind.

Mr. ~~W. W.~~ <sup>also</sup> Mrs. Forbes  
who was very kind.

Had cup of tea  
return of the night  
on the floor.

Aug 20<sup>th</sup>

Break: 7-45. Good.

Interview M. " "

Day off. I unpack

stove make our self

comf + at home

Everyone very kind, +  
sociable.

Put my bed up, sat  
on it & broke it,

now again for attention  
to the poor timber of the  
most precious bed-stead.

Should be very happy  
but have an achingly  
vague for the 53<sup>rd</sup>  
& miss old Church

Aug 21. 1918

went to wd J. "umps"  
carry on, on your own.

22 To B. wd. "representing."

23 " C. wd. " "

24 " A. wd. " "

Sister Wadsworth awfully  
nice, quite a happy time  
with plenty of work.

Admit to J. ? dys. & diph.

well cared for and soon  
recovered.

Back again to A. V<sup>d</sup> after  
a struggle

Sept Sis: Wad: movement orders.  
New S. Brazer, not so bad.

" Next S. Jacob: a great change  
not so dusty but very busy.  
Put along quite happily  
plenty of work still & very  
little play.

meeting Sister Sheasby  
by the Beleville Church

leaves for London 27.4.19  
leaves for London 15/5/19  
leaves for London 15/5/19

Jan: 22. Dai arrived  
in House 10 days leave.  
Had dips in P.A.  
quite comfy.  
Saw him daily.  
weather rough.  
Dai looked well. all  
serene with the world.  
Met B.D. Rice during  
the month, friendship  
seemed to wane,  
Both at fault,  
Both went on leave in Feb.  
different dates. Letter on return.  
Accidental meeting, rather  
terse, 'Sorry being a delightful  
letter. Happy night day on  
Easter Sunday, perfect  
last meeting' & 'Goodbye' &

Struck good comradeship  
she had been to Cardigan  
and we were pals ever after.

Oct

hips as usual. Great  
squabble in ward between  
Colonials & German patients.  
Peaceful after M. a. inter.  
Making friends with the  
first. A: awfully contented  
days.

Nov. Armistice signed still  
happy.  
C. W. Adams 27 Ganks  
encore until no. 50 -  
all mumps.

Several staff sick.  
Several passed away.

Dec. Lost my Pal for C.C.  
no more gorgeous cups of  
tea. No one could or dared  
make the same.

'flu' epidemic commencing,  
C. W. fumigated.  
Opened for 'flu'

W 1 197  
1 225  
CCO

bases doing well.  
Xmas tide very pleasant  
30<sup>th</sup> Dec. night duty.

~~Jan 6<sup>th</sup>~~ Transf. - K. L. M. J.  
not much doing.

Jan 14<sup>th</sup> Greatly rushed,  
plenty of work plenty  
of snow; 1 bully & Stuart.  
A: Super dumped, great  
sensation no cas!

Feb 9<sup>th</sup> left for leave  
Thank goodness.

Left Havell. Sun. 12.45. AM

Arrived Rouen. 6 -

" Arrived on the 15<sup>th</sup>

~~night duty~~

Reached Boulogne  
5 A.M. of the 11<sup>th</sup> 2.19

~~left~~ went to the Hotel  
Christel had brekker,

then R.T.O. & left

Boulogne. 10-25 A.M.

Arrived Tolchester 12-40.

Left Tolchester 1-10.

Arrived in London 3-40.

Home for Tea. about  
four W.

Dad reading, Mum  
Mam sewing - Meg out,  
Nance. at bus. Nell at  
School, John upstairs

Sai Somewhere in France

Had a decent hair -  
spent a few days with  
the flu. All serene

Return France 25.2.19.

Boulogne 5.50. left for  
Paris 9.20. P.M. arrived  
at P. 5-55. A.M.

Had a good day  
saw many sites  
including the wonderful  
war picture at the

Rue University.  
Glorious.

Arrived 52<sup>nd</sup> 10.40. P.M.

In my opinion.

went on duty next day  
in T. Wd

Very busy. "Telu & Pneu":  
Sister Judge, a real  
darling. Lips serene.

May Back to C. Wd  
To H. Wd Sept.

May " " A. Wd  
" " C. Wd  
" " H. Wd

There ends -  
no. 40<sup>th</sup> Staly Hop.

Rouelles.

Hayfever.

June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1919.

Arrived about 3 P.M.  
with S. Judge, full ket.  
Interviewed the H. Hines

Charming person. Lips  
looked bright. Teeth  
below zero.

Share rooms, a comfort.

Both to leave w<sup>o</sup> 3.

June 9<sup>th</sup> S. left me, and  
deserted. She goes to  
Isolation, I still in Gen. Sect.  
all serene.

Sat: Walsh, Maher & S. Usher  
arrives.

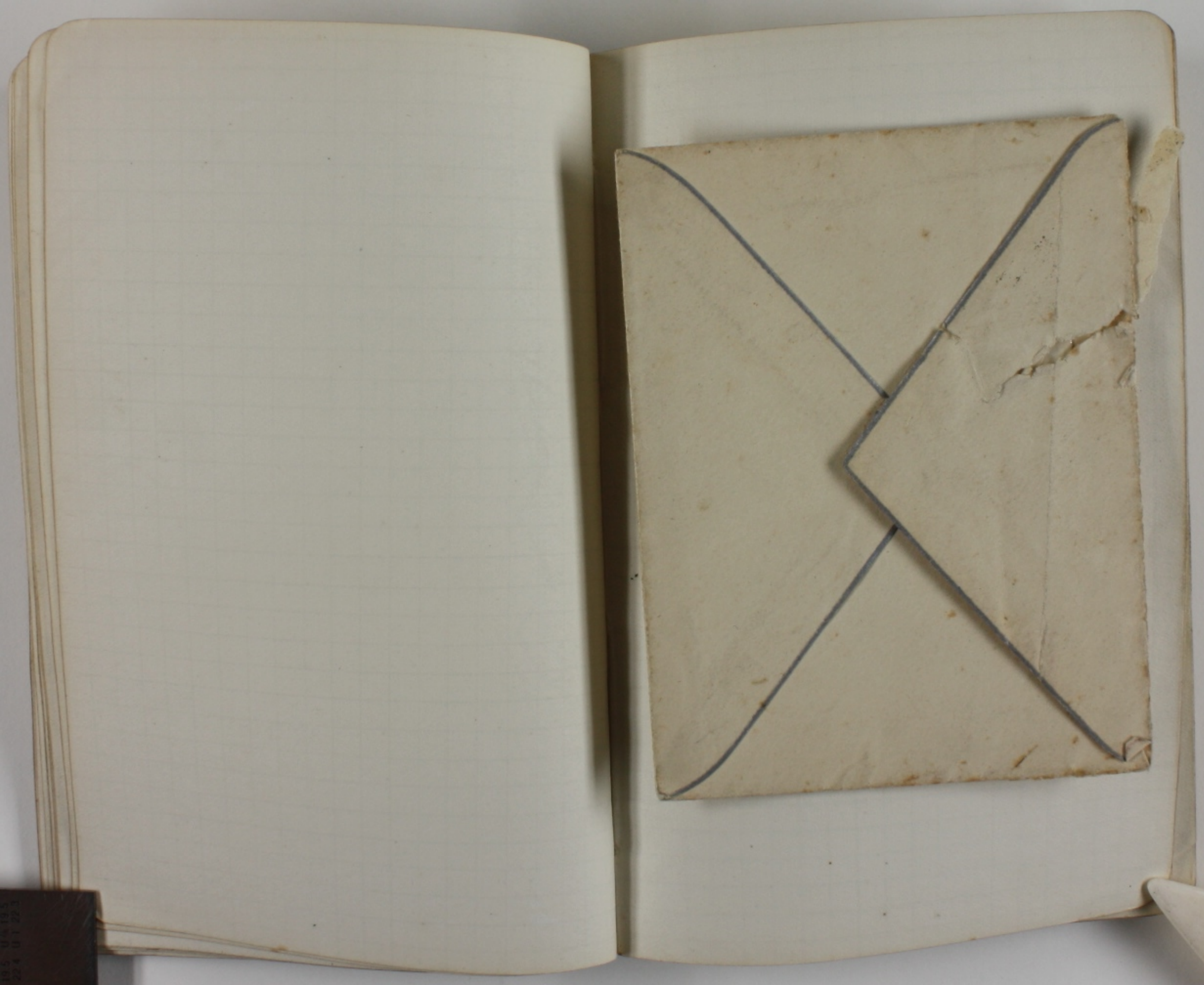
Sunday. go to 52 to tea  
a hearty welcome.

Tues. Brown, Devin, Lawlor  
Tweedle, Wilton, Bridwell  
have for demands:  
Walshie & I lorry help.  
Wed. ordered to bed.

Sat the 14. 6. 19. First  
letter from B. D. posted  
at Panama Canal,







JUNE

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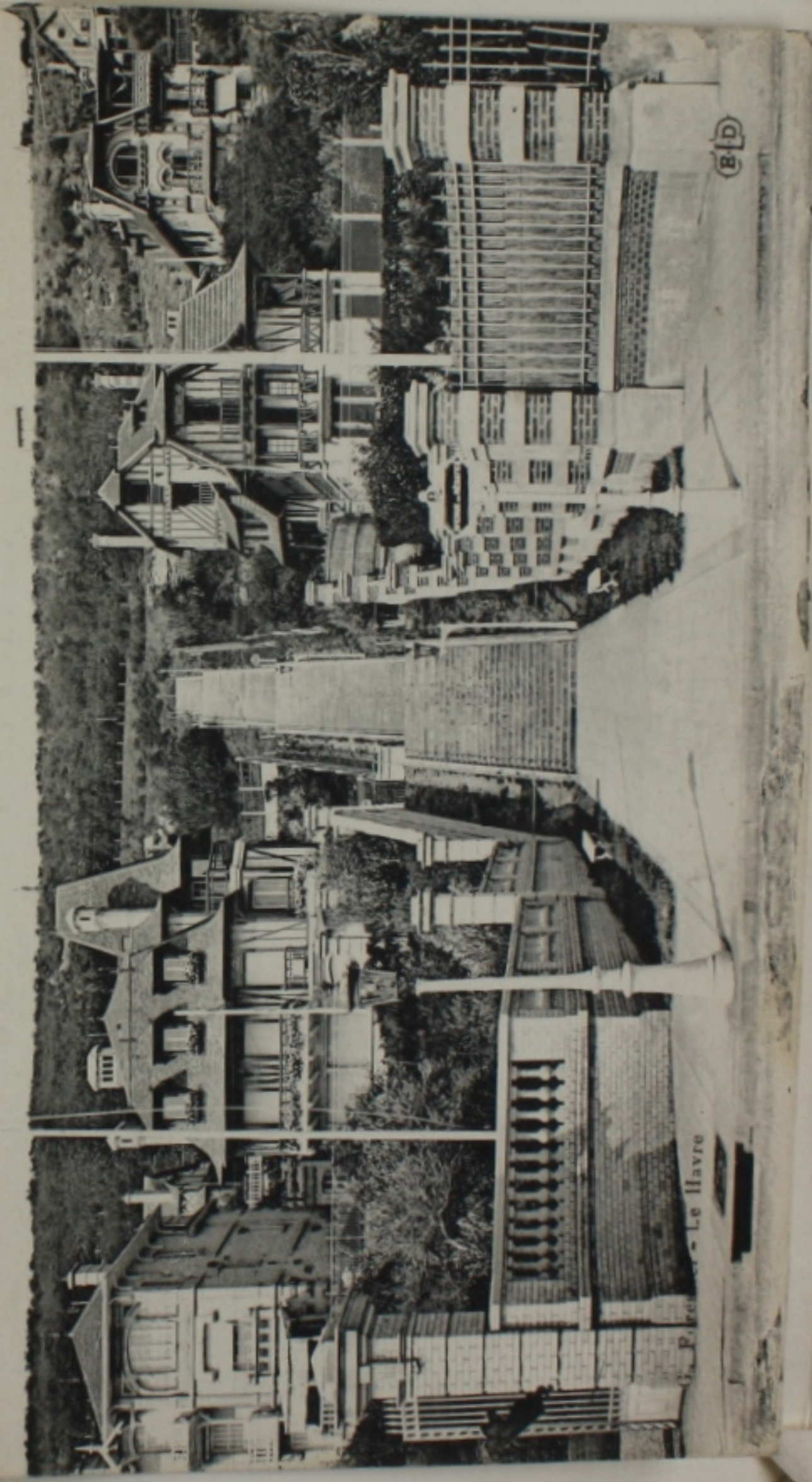
FRIDAY

Grief is a flower as delicate and prompt to fade as happiness. Still it does not wholly die. Like the magic rose, dried and unrecognisable, a warm air breathed on it will suffice to renew its bloom.

*Madame de Gasparin.*



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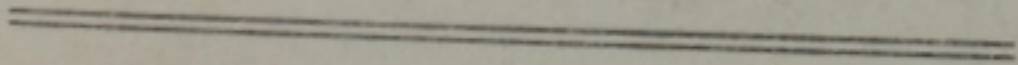


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France.





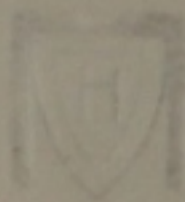
*Nancy Jones.*



*With  
Mr. & Mrs. William J. Hare's  
Compliments.*

MAESMAWR,  
CAERSWS.

DECEMBER 11TH, 1918.



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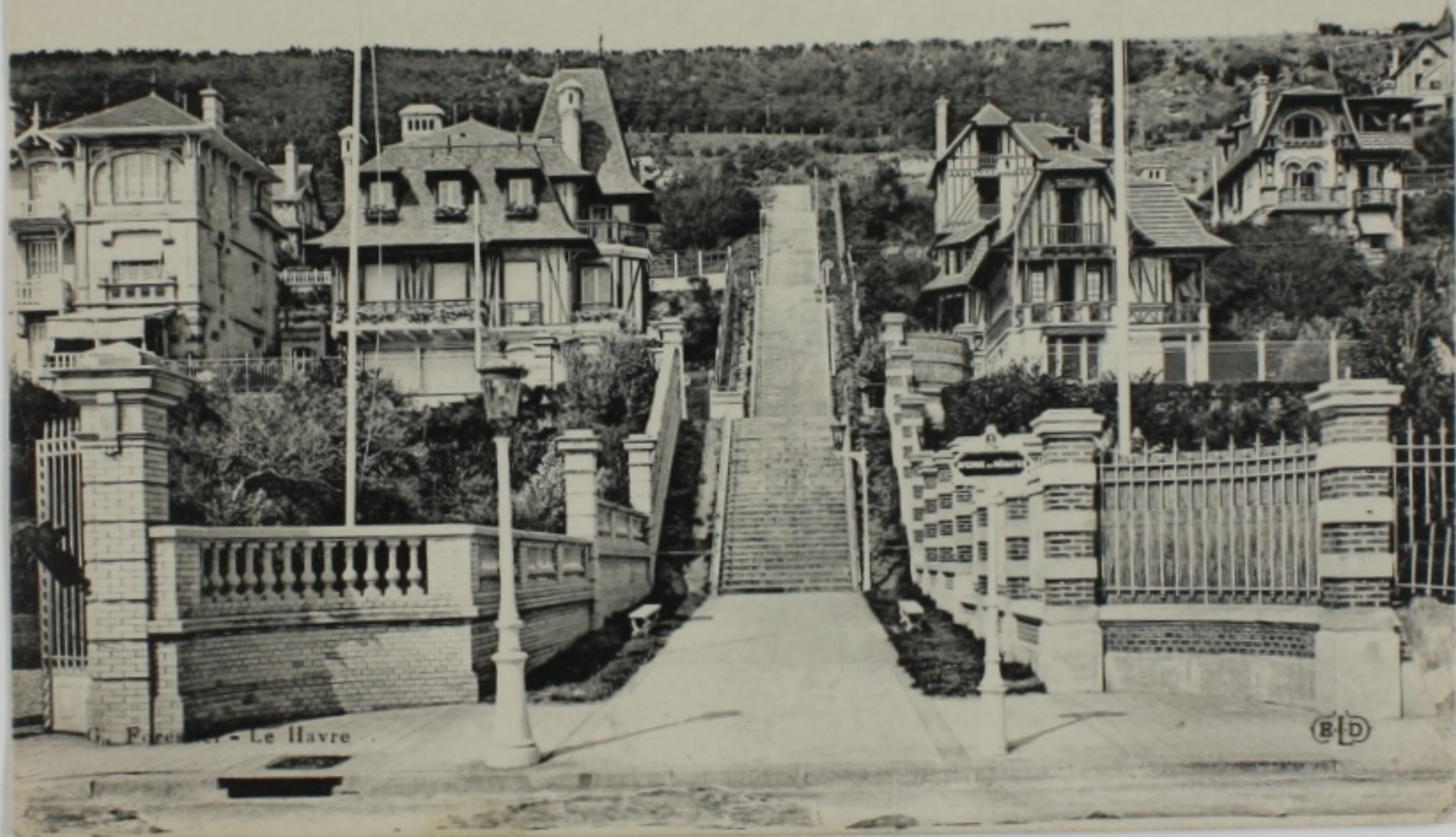
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