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My dear Mrs Bleeck

This will only be a short note, to take you my Xmas greetings. Hope you will have a happy & peaceful Xmas, with very good news from the invalid to cheer you, trust she will soon feel stronger, she has youth on her favor. How delightful for you, the two sisters being with her. I have sent her a Xmas number of the Review, I thought it might amuse her. Our summer so far has not been very warm, we have had

our share of South Africa. Harry
says the heat in Pretoria is almost
unbearable, the children feel it so
much. Hugh has been with Ethel
for more than two months, she would
like to have him altogether, he is quite
a companion. Mr Gobie tells me
things are very bad up there hay
& labour difficult to get. Still each
ship that comes out is crowded -
When all the people go to, I can't
imagine -

I told you Mary Rutherford is
married to Mr Godfrey he is a
good fellow, they are living in East
London Mr Nugent is with her
parents, she has a dog cart, some
times she goes out driving, & other

days riding - It must be a comfort to the Parents thus being with them -

I feel so stupid tonight I can't write - Tomorrow I have a man coming to do the ceiling & paper your old dining room. Mr. Chappin wants it to look nice & fresh. & I have promised him a new square for the floor. She is a nice old lady, and very pretty.

I have a Miss Easton here, who plays beautifully, also paints very well. We have Music nearly every evening. I don't often go into the Drawing room, but can hear it upstairs.

Kindest remembrances to

the girls, much love to
yourself
Wishing you a bright happy
& prosperous New Year.
Ever sincerely yours
W. B. Wright.