

## In Britain

29.6

Berners 5p.m. Met H.

30. Talked through afternoon & evening.

1.  
Horseferry Rd – Bank closed – Westminster Abbey  
– service – National Gallery. St. Paul's.

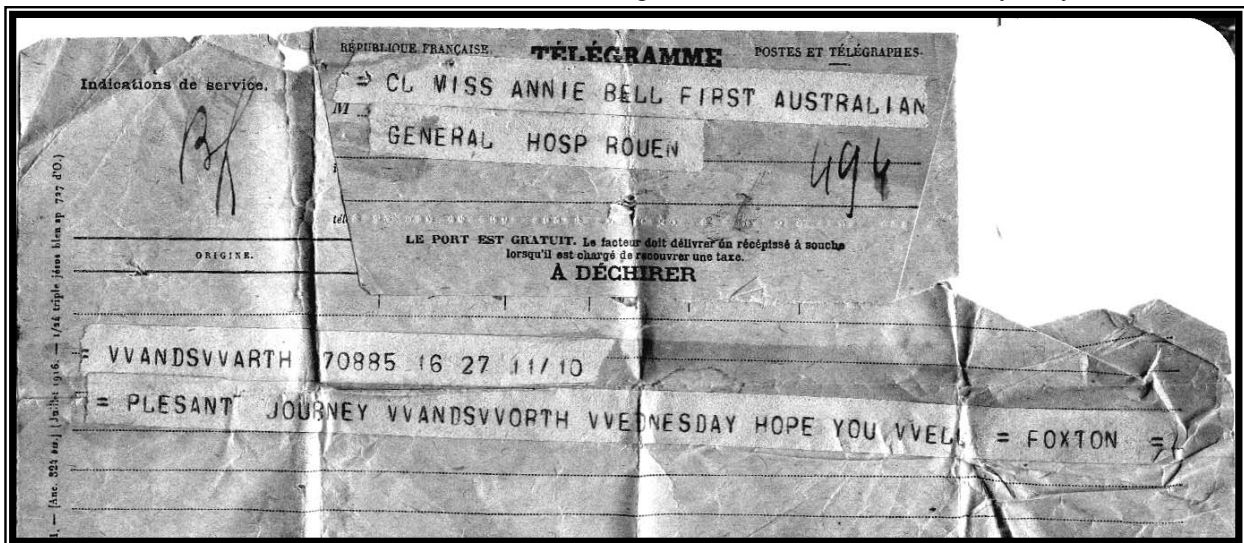
2.  
Bank. Lunch at Fullers.  
H. went to Wandsworth in afternoon.  
To dinner at Trocadero. Nurse B.

3.  
Left at 10a.m. for Edinburgh – My Lady –  
Arrived before 8p.m. Walked along  
Princess St. – Punch & Judy Show – Open  
air service.



Figure 35: Above - Wandsworth Hospital, London

Figure 35: Below - Telegram sent from Wandsworth from Harry to Anne, in the week preceding her leave from France to England. Also mentioned in his diary entry dated 25 June



4.  
Shopped – St. Giles – John Knox's house – Lady Stanis Close, etchings, tailors signs, museums & gallery. Forth bridge, not allowed to pass at first, taxi stopped, mended – no films for Kodaks, a disappointment – Mr. Phillips to the Dancing Girl.

5.  
From Edinburgh to Callandean – beautiful drive. Walked to Loch Katince. Harry came -----

6.  
Climbed the hill, read Ordered South and Sweethearts. In afternoon sailed along Loch Katince – sheep or stones. Walk after dinner – small boy on bridge.

7.  
We two in a.m. Read after lunch. Walked after a. tea.

8.

Not called till late, a hurried breakfast, a beautiful drive. A demonstrative station master – Edinburgh-North British Hotel. M. Tea at Fullers. To Gallery – a picture of cross roads & many memories – Lady Stavis Close – amongst the watercolours – Bell’s Wynd – the places French – St. Giles closed & also Greyfriars – Left at 9.30 for Kings Cross – a night of memories & the present most fortunate.

9.

At Berners before 8a.m. – basement room. Rested. H to H.R., to embark at midnight. Lunch. Packed suitcases. Went to cable office. Shopped, our stick broken – fountain pen – Saw Myra & her Romeo – their evening together.  
The rest in my mind

10.

A late morning – Neil came at 1p.m. & we lunched with Myra & her party. Very lovely.

11.

Neil came to lunch, then to Royal Academy, pictures good, especially the Triumph. Saw the Australian Y.M.C.A. Neil took us to Dear Brutus, splendidly acted, but went back to camp.

12.

To Horseferry Rd, went to Bank & got letters, one most comforting. Had lunch with Ida, then back to Berners, wrote letters. To go to Dartford. Miss Finlay & Sister Whiteman came, went out to dinner. Grace rang up.

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Forward						

13.

Saw Dorothy off by the 8.50a.m.train, bus to station. To H.Road, collected luggage from Fulham, waited at Charing Cross till Grace came. To Kensington Gardens, Dartford most comfortable. Saw Herbert, very amusing questions. Saw S. Green. Not go to on duty tomorrow.

Figure 36: Extract from Soldier's Pay Book for Annie Bell A.A.N.S. - 3rd A.C.C.S. This book commenced on 23/2/17. Total Pay was 10/4 per month

14.

Grace brought me Harry’s letter, telling me of his mother’s death, think there must be another letter that I have not had. An afternoon with letters. Church in evening.

15.

B22, not busy, a patient Moffatt a great admirer of Major Simmons. Miss Conyers & Mrs. Hughes expected, but did not arrive. Walked to Dartford in p.m. At 5p.m.

16.

Big. In a.m. dressing tent in afternoon. A telegram – A Te Deum.

17.

To Charing Cross by the 1p.m. train. Rang up Cooks, a rather indignant reply. H. Road. Shopped. Two letters & a telegram.

18.

Says quite well – voice a great comfort.

19.

At Charing Cross. To Royal Academy, heard the story, a thankful woman.

20.

To leave tomorrow. Together. Kensington Gardens. Peter Pan. Dear Brutus. Partings harder than ever.

21.

At 10.30a.m. Kew Gardens. Richmond. To train 3.55, another goodbye.

22.

Letters from Paddington. Boys getting ready for Australia. S. Herbert to night duty.

23.

Boys off to Australia. Ryan, homesick, not sick. Very wet. Off after 1p.m. A domestic afternoon, read letters.

24.

Rochester, train to Stroud & then walked. Pigeons on path, very tame. Cathedral, finest piece of Norman architecture in England – one seat & a great longing. Fine view over the hills & river. No diving into Thames. The boys on the skates & the bike seat. Cathedral graveyard opposite, where E.D. wished to be buried. Ye Olde Late Tea Shoppe, oak beams, willow plates, brass candlesticks. Miss House.

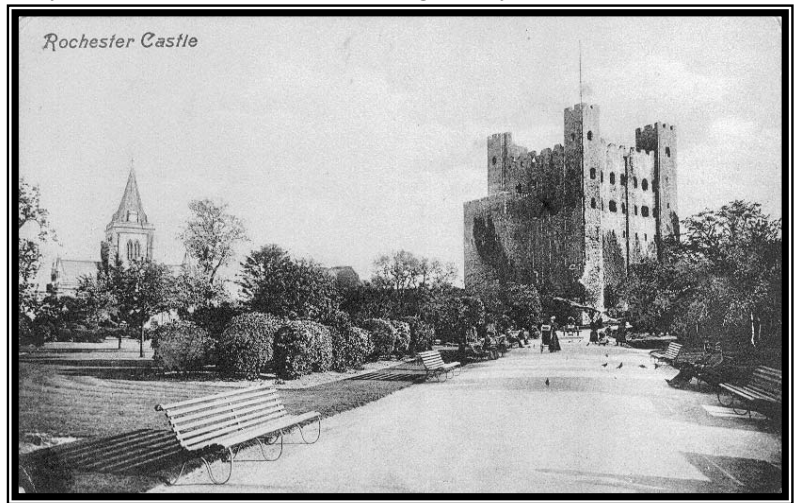


Figure 37: Anne wrote on back of postcard: Dozens of pigeons were on this path, very tame, come & eat out of your hand. Saw them being fed. The lawns are well-kept. Near the path is a gun captured from the Russians during the Crimean War. There is a seat, told you about in my letter of 24.7.18 (See at left)

25.

Scrubbing day. Bullecourt patient, moved room. Wrote letters.

26.

London in p.m., shopped, two coats & skirts, madame most entertaining. Horseferry Rd. Charing Cross a nightmare.

27.

A quiet day. Father's birthday.

28.

Off in p.m., went through some letters. A very nice letter from Sister Cadle.

Figure 38: Written on back of photo: It's not a nice thing – but it's me – corsetless -greyfrocked & aproned – with a white military screen cover to protect my grey apron from the grease of the spinal beds - in short - my night duty rig out. I ought to be ashamed to send to round, but I'm rather partial to it myself-more so as I think my dear old Mother will think me “a disgrace” & I love shocking her. N.B. Taint a wearin' a decoration but a watch on my right chest.



29.

On all day, a hot day. A curious sunset.

31.

Nearer.

1.

Day off. Shopped.

2.

Letter from G. Night duty. Myra to come Sunday.

3.

A domestic afternoon, sewed a wall pocket – bearlike.

4.

Church Parade for Remembrance Day- Grace to call & did not. S. Lodden came while at lunch, suitcase & tin hat. Myra & Ida came in afternoon. Home letters & from S. Paten & Woinaski.

5.

Easy a.m. Letter re Perry.

6.

Long day.

7.

Letters from Home & George. A diary. London in p.m. Lost a fountain pen. Shopped. Toorak parcel.

8.

On all day.

9.

Day off. To London with S. McLean, saw Brendaw. To Kensington with Grace, Elsie & Joan. Chut. District Railway, inner circle, rush for train. My luggage at Kit Stores.

10.

To B21. Letter from J.C.H. to tell the South of Scotland what she thinks of him. In Paris. Off in afternoon, read & wrote & thought.

11.

Sunday. On, a busy a.m. Letter from Dave Scammel.

12.

Went into London with Sister McLean. To Horseferry Rd., saw Miss D. & Miss I., not to go for a least a fortnight. Through Chelsea, Battisea Park. Chelsea Pensioners. Collected luggage. The motor driver. Shopped a little. Silhouette. Dartford, two Blue Sisters just arrived from Australia, had come through Panama. An Australian mail should be in. No more Australians browse they say. An evening with Grace – a disappointment. Letter from Sallie Bucke.

13.

A cable, so a thankful woman. Letters from Dorothy & Sadie. Grace away to Oxford. A hot day, a red sunset. Too many insects to write outside.

14.

Day off. Wakened early, began to pack. 8a.m., a great sorting. Letters from Gran, Bess, Violet in the midst, Gran "not nice, what a time." George busy. Saved with Grace in p.m., some good advice re -----  
Walk after dinner.

15.

Letter from Mother, a short cable sent but sufficient. After light out, last night, stars.

16.

Went to Sidcup in afternoon. Photos. Odd jobs. The small boy at Sidcup.

17.

Benyman sick. Busy, no relief. Sports. A fancy dress parade – Mrs. Hughes and Sports. Ida & Myra to dinner. Concert after, & after up in Sgt's Concert.

18.

Off in p.m. Grace's brother over on leave. Roses. Sister S.  
Red as the wine of forgotten ages  
Yellow as gold from the sunbeams spent  
Pink as the garb of Aurora's pages  
White as the soul of the sinless one  
Sweeter than Araby's winds that blow  
Roses! Roses!! I love you so.

19.

On all day.

20.

Went with Grace & Herbert. Bank. Ivanhoe. No buses. Tube very amusing. Sister Taylor. Very hot, espec. in train. Dorothy & fence. No.1.

21.

Told to hold myself in readiness for transport. A busy day. No Winchester, we fear. A supposed air raid.

22.

Did not go out in a.m. Letters from home, many remarks. The more you look, the more you like. London p.m., told transport in a.m. My handbag – Grace.

23.

Friday. Left Dartford by the 9.30a.m. Horseferry Rd. & Bank. Paddington. Afternoon with Ida at Southwell Gardens. Myra out, Ida's second sight. Paddington Hotel. Myra with me.

24.

Up early, luggage, long queue for tickets. Left Paddington 8.40. Miss Conyers & Ida to see us off. Coast red cliffs. Many lanes & glades & a great longing. Luggage. Before 5p.m., on boat. Beautiful day.