

Marburg

May 24th 1914

To My Dear Sir & Bro.

Last a few lines in answer
to your very welcome letter. & to tell you
that I received the money order alright
for which I thank you. I can tell you that
I never had a letter that affected me so much
since the ones that ^I ~~you~~ received from
our dear Mother: which used to bring a
~~few tears into my eyes~~ when I read them
well my dear S. & B. I am glad that you &
family ^{are} well. I can't say that I am well
myself. I have got a very bad boil on my
arm: & find it very difficult to write these
few lines: but I have some news to tell you
& that is we have been blessed with a little
daughter: it is three weeks old: that makes
two by this wife & I trust the last: it is
very expensive business: & I think I have had
quite enough of it: well Deans I
think I have made my mind up to
come home: in about 9 or 10 months time
so I will be with you this day 12 month.
that is if things goes as I think they
will but I have a lot to do before that.

I dont think that the wife will come; she
thinks that traveling with two children would
be too much trouble & she dont like the
water too well; but she might alter
her mind before the time comes; but I
hope to hear from you a few times before
that: I am glad to hear that Uncle Robert
is looking well: & sorry to hear that his
son Frank is dead: you said that the girls
were not doing he well which I am sorry to
hear; but you or I cannot help that: you said
in your letter that I should tell George
any news in your letter: well Dear Brother
I dont think I will trouble to tell him
any of the news I dont know how he would
take it some times: when we ^{each other} pass in the
road he would not see me: which I am sorry
say about a Brother of mine: but I tell
you that he is nothing but a pointer
& any body that have any thing to do
with him gets off second best: I did hear
that he was going home: which made me
mention about him in my last letter
so that you would be on your guard
any how I wish I never seen him out here

you ask me in your letter do we make
do we make butter: well we can make it
churns but we find it is just as well
to buy it from the factory: they send
for the cream three times a week & they
fetch a few pounds of butter just what
we want for the house I dont think
that you have any idea what the dairying
is like out here I have taken a contract
to make a large dam: which will take
about 2 month to compleat & I have
a large crop of maize to gather I have
just bought another farm: with a brick
house on it which belong to an old
english farmer: every thing is looking well
cattle is going up in price & the butchers
are rising the price of beef & the old state
is looking prosper in fact I think it the
paradise of the world now I have not
much to tell you this time & I trust these
few lines will find you & yours in the
best of health & believe me to remain
your loving Brother W H Damer
& kiss the little ones for me
& tell them I was pleased with p.c.