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My Dear Sister

Your letter together with Alf's arrived at nearly the same time. It was with satisfaction and much pleasure to me to hear from you and the boy that you have the cause to be so proud of him fighting the fight for humanity. You can feel with satisfaction that you have played the part of other Mothers who have contributed their own flesh and blood to a worthy cause.

Possibly you have heard the sad news of your brother Douglas's death. Mary must have notified you all by this time. If not she has all the particulars. I have not heard anything about his circumstances so I am not in a position to give anyone further information. Am anxious to know what provision he made for Kathleen, she is a very brilliant child with fine possibilities. Burt, Douglas & Robert have passed away within the last three years, all young men. Proving what Douglas has said many times that the Bodington family is short lived. It was with big surprise to me and left me with a feeling that is hard to overcome; his presence added grace to any company. He was a man in a million for thoughtfulness of others, he made many friends and was highly respected Douglas was always talking of home, and looked forward to the day when he and I should come together and have a real reunion in the land of our youth but such was not to be and so I have many regrets in the loss of a companion, friend and Brother.

My boy was not drafted, the oldest one Douglas Edward being married with one son and dependent wife. Frederick Malcolm was nineteen when the war broke out, was too young. He has since come of age and was drafted about the time the war ended. You asked me to send you some pictures, we don't seem to have any on hand just at this time.

We shall have to get together and have them grouped and when that happens you shall have one.

If you have any pictures of your children should be pleased to have them. Thank Alf for his letter should answer him, but it is hard telling where he is. Our boys that left my town are returning, mighty glad to get home to feast on their Mother's pies and cakes.

They have had a great experience and they have come back better men, from rubbing shoulders and sitting around the same table with our European friends.

These few lines, I feel will reach the shores of Old UK the Mother of Nations starting the New Year in peace that you all have so nobly fought for.

Wishing you and your family success for the future. I will close with love to all.

Your Brother.
F. A. H. Bodington