

31st Oct. 17

My dear Rosalie

I have not been able to get over to see Pelt
 have yet. It is longer away than one imagines,
 and the Officer whom I was going to ask to see
 about the painting is on leave, so nothing has
 been done at present.

What I meant about a rougher life was only
 that houses etc. do not exist in most areas and
 everyone has to live in huts, or as best they can.
 I am better off, now and have a so called roof
 over my head and no doubt we shall make
 ourselves snug in time if we are not moved.

I don't quite understand this Italian move
 unless it is that the Boche wants to get all
 he can and then propose peace terms. I don't
 see how he can go on much longer if the
 state of the country is anything like we suppose.
 But then of course we may be quite wrong as

to the state of a Span in Germany but we do
know that he will be very hard of for coal
this winter.

The improvement in my leg still goes on
and I find I can get along pretty well.
I don't think I shall see much of Welch as
the boundary is so altered that I have
nothing to do with him now. It was odd
my meeting him as I did.

We are having fairly good weather here with
bright nights which add a little excitement
to life. I suppose there will be rains over
England if you have the same weather.

What a state Ireland seems to be in and
how weak we seem to be as regards the rebels.

I have no news as its all very quiet

Yours always
T.D.S.