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Idbury Manor .Kingham.
Oxon.
Feb.21st.1944.

Dearest Gertrude,

Thank you so much for your kind letter and list.

It is so kind of you to go to so much trouble, I am very grateful.

I am delighted there is a 'Flower Street' print. There is no Gallery

more in I would prefer it to be in/^athan/yours! I have only two or three copies

left here. It was/^arather difficult ~~one~~ to print. I could not leave the

Printer to his own sweet will. I suppose that is why I had so few printed

I am so glad it is to be in your collection. There will never be

a Flower Street like that again in Hongkong!

I suppose Miss Rosenberger had been in a great hurry hence her mistake

in the number. I have not heard from her since she left America.

(in the Pacific)
Things are moving more swiftly/^athan anyone could have imagined .

I hear Mrs Mallory is in Boston at The Pleasant View Home-at least I

expect it is in Boston.

I have a little job I want to do. I shall not speak of it yet.

I find it so difficult to settle to anything. I have not done any paint-

-ing for some time. Oh! to be able to go off to China again. I want to
sketch from life and not to have^{to} work up old sketches.

I do hope the book I sent you for Christmas reaches you. I have not
been lucky in the books I have sent since war started!

Jessie is still keeping house for my brother, I expect she will be there

till Kate and the children come back. She hoped to come this year with

the eldest nephew to place him in School-Marlborough, but it seems too

risky! We do not look beyond a single day! I was in London for a few

days last week. We had a visit from the 'Huns', not a pleasant experience!

If there is in that lot of prints another one you would like-do accept

it please with my love.⁺ The only one of them that is getting low is 'The

Good Earth'. Will you kindly thank Mrs Garner, ^{for her list.} also give her my good

wishes for 1944. With much love to yourself and grateful thanks for

housing the prints for me .I do hope I shall be able to come to America ^{soon}

and relieve you of the burden

Yours Affectionately

Elizabeth

+ I am so glad there are 4 copies of The Good Earth
as it is the most popular at the moment, and
I have not many copies left.



Ms. A. 1. 1. 12

Dear Mr. ...

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Respectfully

I have a great deal of pleasure in the ...
and it is the most ...
I have not many other ...