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Dear Father & Mother I  
received your fond letter  
which I was sorry to hear  
of my Mother & Delia being sick  
But I hope by this time they  
are over it. I am very uneasy  
about you all If it is the  
Fever they had you did not  
mention the disease But I  
hope with the Assistance  
of God that my fond Mother  
& Delia is enjoying themselves  
In good health By this time  
I am also sorry for my Cousins  
& neighbours. Dear Mother & Father  
you will find enclosed here the  
small sum of Four Pounds

For Brother said that He would  
have you get the watch I send  
It for you to enjoy yourselves  
good in Galway I am very sorry  
I did not think of It earlier  
or I would ~~it~~ have ordered <sup>them</sup>  
long since for I know <sup>would</sup> ~~it~~ both of  
them I hope you wont neglect  
to go Also Brother dont hurt  
yourself working get men to  
Assist you And I will Assist  
you later I am very thankful  
for Bridgets Kindness In sending  
me a handkerchief which I am  
happy to see An Emblem from Dr.  
If you ever send the like Again  
dont Register It I lost a good  
deal of time over It. For I had  
changed Boarding houses

I expect to return the Compliment  
to Bridget & sister some day.  
I mean to let you <sup>know</sup> I had a letter  
from Brother Patt A week ago  
with a part of it from his wife.  
He is doing fine He has \$16.00  
house light & Fuel. I suppose  
he stated all to yourself But  
I am overjoyed he thought of you  
& He <sup>said</sup> will never again Forget  
you He wants to find out from  
me if Bridget is kind to Mother  
I am Proud I wont Be telling a  
lie in saying that she is as  
good natured as one of ourselves  
would be towards her for I hope  
she did not change since I left  
In Regards to Brother Michael  
I am overjoyed at his disposition  
for not having Mother in the  
Hospital If you had to let Her  
would have a very poor opinion  
of you

Either will never want to go  
to the Hospital as <sup>long</sup> god leaves me  
the Health for I would loose  
the last drop of blood in my  
Body for them I would send  
more But I know It is not required  
But If It ever should dont be  
Bashful to let me know. I am  
getting the Health good & Doing  
well. I hope Sister Tom & Children  
& All my Friends & neighbours <sup>are well</sup> Please  
tell me how is old Mullany the next time  
Also Michael & Tom Godwin Drink  
my Health in Milltown when you  
get this Please write often if Mother  
is sick I hope poor Father is  
looking good yet dont forget H & Mary  
to take your Pictures when you can  
& send them to me for I would be happy  
to see you I have no more to say  
with Best to ye All from your Affection  
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