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Dear Mother

Managed to get into town this afternoon & so bought you a nice gift, & just to give you an idea of the embroidery I mentioned. It is an inexpensive bit (just $2.00), but felt it was foolish to buy anything more expensive without knowing what it could be used for. Thought this little piece might do for your dressing table. Of course shopping in this country is quite a days work. The shop is a tiny place, about 16 ft. square, goods piled up to the ~~celin~~ ceiling almost from the floor, the greatest medley of junk you

ever saw - old bits of brass,
Carpets - embroideries, aprons.
(heavy native work), gold braided
mens jackets, all heaped up
together. After being shown
a lot of trash, I asked to go
up-stairs where I knew there
were rather better things - but
for some reason or another
he wouldnt let us go, but
brought down odds & ends -
Then he sent out per usual
for coffee, which we drank, &
then it dawned on me
that if we mentioned what
some of the others had bought
he would realize just what
we wanted. Having described
the 11 pieces (costing 5£-)
he smiled, & immediately
took us up!! All this
naturally took time, in fact

it was a good bit over an hour before we could get away. Miss Micklejohn who was with us spent about £3 but I only bought the one piece & Mildred rather a daintier & smaller bit, which by the way she is asking Miss Hervey to leave with you, so please send it to Miss Burrell as we didn't like to ask Miss Hervey to do too much. I do hope the latter finds time to run in & see you. She is rather a reserved peculiar woman, but once you know her, realize she has a heart of gold, & the disposition of a lamb. Socially one would never I imagine quite find her best side.

After our shopping we had time for tea, & then came home in our ambulance. It was showery all afternoon, but didn't really interfere with us in anyway.

Well haven't time for more so good bye

Heaps of love always

from

Lollie.

This is an extra.
The parcel will probably
follow later — but as I
expect Miss Hervey may be
in England sometime have
asked her to post this