

*[Letter from Alice Drinkwater to her brother Llewellyn and sister Olive Drinkwater;
Alice is working at a hat factory in South Framingham]*

So. Framingham Mar 3rd 77

To Llewellyn

Dear Brother

As Lily is writing to Olive I will write you a few lines and enclose it with hers We are both well and every thing is going as well with us as could be expected. We take comfort in our room and stay all the time in preference to the sitting room. Joel keeps us in fresh flowers all the time they are lovely we have two large tumblers full in our room now haven't been without them this winter he brought us down A peck of popcorn the other evening and A lot of Apples we have got A corn popper, and so are right in town

I wish you could all come in and see us to day. It is A rainy disagreeable day I hope Mother will improve under Dr Foster you must all try and take good care of her. I have sent Olive A magazine with another pair of muffs and collar in it to do up got the others all right. We are having A harder time in the shop than ever before but shall try and stand it until spring if things dont get too bad. Lily had has some photos taken and will send one home I shall sit for some in A few days we get them in A club for one dollar A dozen. The firm was so hard up that they would let us have but enough to pay our board last month but pay day comes again in A few days and I will have what I want or make A new. Love to all write soon Tell Olive to put two curved buttons she will find in my shell box in the next papers she sends

Dear Sister I got your letter saturday night so had no time but A little while to day. have made no points as there are none to be made on that side of the question but perhaps it will do better than nothing. Shall drop this in the outside box tonight so it will go the first mail in the morning. Shall get that money tomorrow morning and will send it some time tomorrow in Registered letter to Emma get it and pay it as soon as possible should have got it and sent it before if had been sure could have got the order. Will take his other order when his school is done is the treasurer's name on this one. I heard that Arno Knight was going to the black hills very soon should think he was foolish. My valentine must have come from Home as it was not from any one around here the post-mark was not readable do you know any thing about it love to all write very soon your loving Sister Alice