

Rose Dale

My dear George

it is long since  
I wished to write to you  
but what shall I write I regret  
to hear you are not very strong  
but I hope ear now that your  
health is improved I hope  
you are able to take exercise  
in gardening, for it is both  
a pleasure & privilege I have  
a Garden & it keeps me quite  
busy also a large Conservatory  
in front of the house filled  
with flowers of various kinds

I often take my girls & sewing  
or lessons their <sup>happy</sup> & really is a delig  
to look at the flowers so many in  
blossom one Rose bush has forty two  
blossoms out at once and only in a  
Pot all kinds of flowers grow so be it  
here but require great attention  
we have not even a shower of  
Rain the whole Summer Thunder  
& lightning is rarely felt or  
seen we Frigate & have just  
got a Wind Mill Erected for  
our own use I shall not try  
to give you an idia of it but  
I know you would like to get the

hose fixed on some of the Taps  
& sprinkler on it to Water the  
Garden it is great sport to my  
girls & boy and I often get a  
shower from them we have  
a nice Stable & Carriage house the  
Mill stands in the middle of the  
Carriage road which separates us  
from our Neighbour there is two  
great Tanks containing 1000 gallon  
each & it is sport to look at the  
great fans flying round till  
the Tanks are filled & quite a sight  
to look at your Neighbours Mills  
going at the same rate I was quite  
amused at first I am visited  
by a great variety of Birds they  
dodge on a great oak the branches  
of it come almost on at the door

as I call it my wise fool tree  
he for I have so many Hooks & Nails  
in it that it is very wise fool at  
a kitchen door but you are in  
a delightful situation & I think  
with dear Grand papa so near  
you that you will feel quite  
happy I often think of you all  
& your sweet brother is almost  
before me every night I hope  
you will be kind to him and  
kiss him for his dicky tell him  
I would like to see him here you  
also my dear George if we never  
meet in this world I trust we  
may in a better and our chief  
aim should be to prepare for it  
his my little one send love to you  
we accept the same from me  
remember me to Grand papa  
yours truly & Henderson