

Laura the 30th Oct. 1901

Dear Siblings,

Grace and peace as greeting!

Herewith I'm writing you a few lines in haste. For our dear mother has been ailing for quite a time and now she has already been bedfast for several days. Monday we sent for Dr. Comens (Cummins). It seems that he holds out little hope. He says that since pap's death her lungs have not been in order. He thinks that she has consumption (TB) and we are afraid that she will not live much longer. For she is already quite weak and has lost consciousness several times.

So you may prepare yourselves for the worst, for a telegram could soon arrive saying that she has died. We hope that will not happen, but the ways of the Lord are wonderful. I will write you again very soon about how she is getting on. But stay prepared at all times, because she looks really bad and our greatest fear is that her end can come quickly. I am truly sorry.

Otherwise we are all healthy. Edelgarde has been with Mother since Sunday before last, and next Sunday Lydia Maywald will be going there.

I want to close now. Next week we want to cut our hay. Richard is already starting this week. We had a splendid rain.

With a hearty greeting, I remain,

Your sister and sister-in-law

Lydia Saegenschnitter

in great haste.

Please write again soon.

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English Translation

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