

Moor gate.
 Tuesday, Sept 12th.

Darling Mama.

I am writing to you & telling you all the news I got from Mr Hain last Thursday. I went to his house after I had written your letter last week. He had just come back from Russia two days before I saw him. He saw Papa when he was in Russia in March & he said that Papa was very well then & that there was nothing the matter with him. He went to Russia last month & saw several of Papa's friends when he was there. These are all the particulars he gave me. Papa died on the 16th April at 5 o'clock in the morning, in Tiflis. He was buried on the 17th of April. He died in a hospital there & was buried in Petropavlovsk Cemetery, Tiflis. In the newspaper "Zabach Bostoka" there was an article about him on the 17th April & his death was mentioned in several other daily papers. He had Typhus & was very ill. He recovered from the Typhus but was so weak that he died.

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Wanda

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The man in Gatorick read from the letter that my name was Olga & I was working in R.O.P. I hope if you go into A.R.O.P & see Petrovsky or Stenberg that you are not angry for enrolling to Russians or Russia, because, after all I work for them, & that is how I earn my living & if I go to Johannesburg I hope to work in A.R.O.P. So please be nice to them. They can't help you in your trouble & it does no - nearly good. I'll write you all the news about Papa exactly as I get it. I also saw at Mr Haines house a Mr Minty. I met him there once before. He has been to Johannesburg this year already & is most probably going again soon. I have given him your address & if he does go he will go & see you. He was with Mr Hain in Russia in March & saw Papa then. I don't like him very much, though I suppose he's very nice. He's a fairly old man with a red nose (I expect from drinking)

Thursday

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 who makes things for Sylvia. They were two remnants
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 She charged me 3/6 each for making them & they're
 well worth it. One is green charming to go with my
 green costume with a Peter Pan collar & buttons
 down the front & pin-tucks & ~~the~~ wavy sleeves. (short)
 The other is in white a not very soft silky
 linen & it is just like a short sleeved shirt.
 They both buttons up all down the front & look
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I can't write any more or I'll miss
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All my love
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