

Success-Street-
July 28th/85-

all send
best-love

My darling Lucy,

I got-yours & Emma's
letters on the same day but
Lucie's came two days before.
I am glad you are all getting
on so nicely together. My poor old
heart yearns to be with you I seem
to wait-you all so much. Still we
must be patient-darling & wait-
our Father's time. He knows what
is best for us & when this trial has
accomplished its work. I feel sure
it will be removed. The Lord will
not let us suffer a moment longer
^{than} is necessary. Oh that we may
be willing to learn all He would
have us learn. I gave dear Father
your love today. I do trust he is

improving though so slowly that it is difficult to judge. Still he looks better. I believe he will recover suddenly come to Sam told. We must not cease to pray for him. I am so sorry to hear of poor little Charlie Roubt's eye being so much worse. I hope as his health improves it may be better again. I feel very much for dear Mrs Roubt. Give my best love to her.

Poor Anna does not seem at all strong. She has only been to school two days since the holidays. Mr Heath sent her home yesterday. He saw she was not well. She is so quiet & staid which makes her appear much older than she is. I believe the dear child is all right as a christian. She told me she was the Lord's - but it is very difficult to get much out of her. However activities speak

better than words. and her conduct
quite agrees with her profession.
I have not seen Mr. Robertson for
some time now. They are building
him a house beside the church.
We shall see more of them when
they move into it - which I believe
will be soon. I am so pleased
to hear you are trying to get on
with your music - I felt so sorry
to have you give it up - Have you
learned that piece Miss Weymouth
gave you? - I often think of you
all & wonder whether the weather
is very cold at Invercargill
just now - I cannot realize
that it is winter at all - I
have worn my fur collar only
twice and took my muff
once when it seemed cold

but felt sorry I had done so before
I had been out long. I often wish
I had left them with you girls.
I am so glad the days will soon
be lengthening. I am hoping
great things for dear Father as
spring comes on. All our friends
seem to feel the same about it.
I am so glad Fred is getting plenty
to do - it will be cheerful for the
dear boy. I hope the weather
is favourable. There is a great
deal of rain here -

Now darling child. goodbye
Give my very warmest love
to Fred & Sue - If the mail
is delayed I will try & write to
Fred - And take an equal share
from your loving
Mother