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My dear Brother and sister -

Yes I did think of little Maud's or her
birthday and dream of her quite often - in ten days
it will be Etola's birthday - and to think she has been
gone two years. I think I may go suddenly when
my time comes - as I never feel that I will have a long
illness. If I die here when I am to be buried
here, on the place - and after I die you could both

be buried in the family grave lot in St. L.
Dennis Street is with Patch and right in the right line
It is an awful strain on Zelah and I know how
terrible it is for Blanche. Reading about all the
horrible things the Germans are doing to the prisoners -
more - the less we shall all keep on praying and hoping.
We have no very good news in sight for our take and
poetry. One is just waiting for the estate he has been
with for some years to be protected.

The ice went into lake on Apr. 8. it had been open before
that, across the edges. April weather has been more dis-
agreeable than March was so far. I am
doing all the work except the washing
on Mon. since the Deser's moved. she has