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Worcestershire Yeomanry  
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My dear old Dad

I have just  
got married to Biddy today  
by soldiers' licence.

I only decided to go  
through with it last night.  
I got Biddy down to talk  
it over with her.

I suppose it is on the  
whole a very rash thing  
to have done especially in  
my present circumstances.

But we were both very keen,  
+ I think it is a good  
thing to give way to sentiment  
sometimes instead of always  
calculating the odds.

Anyway you can rest assured  
that my wife has not  
"grabbed" me for her own  
pecuniary <sup>or social</sup> gain, as she  
knows what I am worth  
+ what my chances are, +  
is content to go back to  
Hereford + slog on with  
her dancing classes until  
I come back + am able  
to support her. I have

every hope of surviving!  
We were told at a review  
on Wednesday that Withener  
message was to hold ourselves  
in readiness to go at  
any time. He might want us  
in a few days, weeks, or  
months!!! Meanwhile  
we are not allowed any leave.  
I have only got one day's  
honeymoon in Newbury!  
I hope when you have  
got over this little shock  
that ~~with~~ you will give  
us your blessing. We shall  
need all we can get!  
Yes I know I'm a silly  
young fool + all that. But I'm  
still your loving Son  
Borian