

Letter to Ernest & Edie Catlow
Denton, Lancashire

Jan 14/14

**BLenheim,
GLADSTONE ROAD,
CROYDON.**

Dear Ernest & Edie,

I am sending by passenger train (Car paid) the picture we spoke about at Christmas and hope it will arrive safely. It is on the Grand Canal, Venice & the building on the right with the domes is the famous Church of the Salute. The small building just on the left of it is the Venice Custom House.

The picture is the same size as the ones you have & it ought to harmonize well with them. I think it will make a good Centre piece especially as it has more detail. It will look more complete of course when framed. I hope you will both like it & Lloyd too.

In handling the picture please use the paper grips so as to prevent finger marks. And also please take care not to drop it on its corners as it might be easily

damaged.

Railway Companies are often Careless with their
pictures so am insuring it. See it is all
right before you sign.

I hope you all had a jolly Christmas &
that you've commenced the New Year well.
We have been very quiet and rather worried
about poor little Dandie. Am sorry to say
that he is far from well & has been really very
ill since I returned from Manchester. He was
delighted with your box of chocolates & said
his aunt Edie was very good to him. But he could
not touch them - he was too ill. He has given
some to the others and some he is preserving for
himself when he feels well enough to tackle
them.

I hope you are all keeping fit & that old
Father Time is touching you gently & slowly. May
you all keep on good terms with him for many
years to come. With love & best wishes
Ever yours affectly. Edward