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is keeping excellent time. & is most comfortable to wear. we are all finding the bread knife very useful for all sorts of things. the only thing that has not yet found a use is the Jew's harp. & no one knows how to play it.

I wonder if Paddy can play his -

Amice joins me in love to you both  
Your affectionate daughter  
Myrtle.

