

Whalley Range. (10)

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Dear Howard,

I have only just
time to send you a line to
give you my best wishes for a
very jolly Christmas + New Year
when the latter comes. I have
had very little time yet to get
through many cards: will you
please distribute the enclosed
which I fear are very rough ones
+ thank everyone for theirs to

me. I cannot write more
now but please give my love to
Frank & the compliments of the
season. I hope you will have

a very jolly day: we shall be very
quiet: the doctor won't let us have
any young people in the house till
the end of January (he is a
fearful old woman) so we shall
have to give up even our family
gatherings.

Best wishes to yourself from
Mr. Friend

Baldwin.

I fear I shall not have time to go
to the pictures as I am getting very
busy.