

Monday November 26th 1923 C/o. O.D. Bisset,
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Sydney

My Dear Peter,

I was really delighted to get a letter from your very self dated Oct 10th. You said Mr Daniel asked for my address. I have since had a note from him, - quite a short one. Apparently he expects to be down this way about Christmas.

Last night I wrote to Auntie, also to Humphrey Ryde & W^m Prudence. Conscience becoming active I suppose.

You must excuse my using pencil but I have been very busy all day as I have a big shipment of Hangers going tomorrow & have been pricing them. I have eaten an enormous dinner after coming home late and feel too comatose to sit up to a table and write nicely.

I am very interested to hear you may become a J.P. Very nice too, but don't forget the extra work it means later. You're a glutton for it aren't you? I hope you will be able to do something for the poor down-trodden motorists though. They get "persecuted" (according to them) in Australia just the same as in England. Remember Wrexham!

I do hope your "little operation" may be very successful (and not too expensive). What is the trouble? "Feeling years younger" sounds like the rejuvenation stunts they are reckoning to work nowadays.

You will be interested to hear that the rug I have frequently mentioned is now being made up! Yes! at last it is on its way! Mr. Bisset, who is leaving for home in about 3 weeks time has promised to bring it with him. He should be home somewhere near the beginning of February. I will tell you more about it later. The rug will contain 16 skins & I think will be just a handy size for keeping Mother warm in the car - and also on nights when it's frosty. I haven't seen it yet of course - it won't be ready for some while yet - but I think it should be nice. I have seen some made by the same man recently that have been very nice indeed.

Mention in Gladys's letter of mother making a wool rug incited me to get a medium size skin with nice fur on it dressed for a rug - much less trouble than making one & probably less expensive. I am not having that backed as its backing which is so expensive. The felt costs for a yard or more here & it would take over a yard - probably a yard & a half. Perhaps you can do it at home.

I will ask Mr. Bisset to bring that one with the rug. He will probably use the rug himself at the latter end of the trip so its not disappointing on his kindness very much. You must let me know how the rug suits you and how it fits in the home. It should look nice on your bedroom carpet. Its a sort of silvery grey.

The papers are prophesying a heat wave here. It seems probable as the last few days have been very fine and warm. Quite a distinct improvement on most of the weather I've seen here so far. I have played quite a lot of tennis this week-end and have a stiff arm in consequence.

The work has not slackened off very much at the office & Mr. Bischoff's departure will give me all more to do again. However I hope to get 10 days off at Christmas as I have told you.

I had a letter from Bob a few days ago. It was quite a delightful shock (acc't on the "Shock"). I will make a point of writing him by the next mail. Please thank him very much and ask him if he could manage another shock. I sincerely hope he has got a good job. I've not discovered any here yet.

I've a lot of work saved up for tomorrow - (about a dozen business letters to write for one item) so I must now retire to my downy couch.

Please give all your staff my best wishes for the new year when you see them and also all members of the St. Mary's choir ^{and} any of the clergy I know who are still there.

Best love to all and all happiness for the coming year.

Your loving son,

Bertie.