

Bournville,  
Birmingham.

England.

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Dear Mr. Cooper,

Thanks for your letter. I, in all probability, am very much nearer the end of my journey than you are, but it is a great joy still to be able to do some little service for the Master - "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto Me".

I do see great difficulties in the move to Hobart, but I trust we shall do everything thoroughly well - that will pay in the long run. I trust too that it may be a good object lesson that will be of some little value to our brothers in Australia. The Housing question is one I have been thinking of, but I do not know how it is possible for us to find the money to build the village. I suppose we shall be able to impose such restrictions on the land that cottages may not be built more than ten to the acre? We want to have a second Bournville. Probably at first almost all our workers will live at Hobart, and the village must extend very gradually. With the village comes responsibility for schools, public buildings, etc. Probably we should not have gone in for this if you had not already done so much for us to secure a premier place in Australia, and it did seem almost a sin not to take advantage of the good name that we have there.

You must be glad to have your sons back all but Eric; he is a good fellow and I do not doubt is gaining information that will be of value when he goes back.

We have had a very wet season, making it most difficult to gather in our hay.

You will note that Europe is still in a very unsettled condition and it is impossible to foresee the future, but we can rest in the assurance that "the Lord reigneth".

With kind regards from Mrs. Cadbury and myself to Mrs. Cooper, yourself, Howard, etc.,

Your sincere friend,

