

27/10/82.

Bro. & Sister Hall,

I arrived Jack in Harare as scheduled, at 6am. Saturday morning, and am delighted to say that I found everything in order at the house, and the Eddels were there waiting to hand-over the keys. Many thanks to you both for all the care taken, and also for dealing with the various business matters.

I do hope you had a pleasant and trouble-free journey down to S.A. and that you are settling in well to your new surroundings. You must find life a bit more hectic down there, also traffic conditions can be rather frustrating around Johannesburg after one has been used to the comparably "deserted streets" of Harare. You will soon adapt though, and will be compensated by the fact that there is a wider variety of goods to purchase

in the lovely shopping precincts there. I have been kept busy since my return with unpacking of items which I'd locked away, also re-arranging the wardrobes etc., and only today have I been able to get into town to deal with business matters, for the battery in the car required recharging, and I only got it back from the garage late yesterday afternoon. On the subject of cars, I must tell you that the "parking fine" which you paid, was in fact not mine, as it applied to the "Audi" which Arnold sold prior to my return from S. Africa. Of course you wouldn't be able to tell, as you didn't know the registration number. I always park in "car-parks" - never on meters, which I find to be too much of a nuisance if I'm shopping in town. I've just checked the mail-box again, and this is the up-to-date

mail received for you. The large green envelope arrived in this state and I presume must have been opened by customs - although it should have been stamped to indicate this. I do hope that it didn't contain any inclosure which could have been tampered with. Let me know if anything is missing, and if so please return the envelope so that I can lodge a complaint at the Post Office.

By the way, the small brown ceramic dish broken by Alphonse was of no value - so no problem! The saucers and salt-dish to match the dinner/coffee set are proving a problem though, for I did try to get some saucers in England, and there was nothing even similar to the "Parchment" colour of the set. This set I particularly liked, so it came with us from England and was in fact a present from my Parents, so although it wasn't

"brand-new", I rather treasured it, and always did the washing-up myself when I used it. If by any chance you could find replacement saucers in the same shade "Parchment", I would appreciate it. Obviously it would be too difficult to match the pattern, so would have to be six saucers. It is just impossible to get any decent crockery here, as I suppose you know.

I am just dashing-off now to get to the Post Office in time to have this included in the afternoon collection, so will just close by wishing you both all the very best in your new mission area, and thank you once again.

Kindest Regards,

Glen Lucas.

P.S. Arnold does not return till the 19<sup>th</sup> November so I'm on "my own" again.