

24/10/94

66 Chancery Lane
28/10/95

Dear Andrew,

I got your letter yesterday & need hardly say how overjoyed I was by the intelligence contained in it. and how eagerly I am awaiting your arrival.

Let us postpone all topics of common interest till your arrival. ^{now} talk of what relates more closely to your trip here.

As to lodgings. - I think I can say I can secure for these for you in our quarters & so contrive that you & I shall share the same room. There are but 3 rooms - for sleeping purposes - for lodgers in our "crib". There are 6 of us. I sleep in the same room as Findlay - who is at present in Isosua - who will not share it with any one else. However Mr. Findlay told me this morning she had

w'd arrange it, so you can make
your mind easy on this leave.

However, if you should prefer a
separate room, I can get you
lodgings in Royal Terrace - (the
best quarters in town -) for about
30/- a week or at some good
& quiet hotel for about 42/- a
week; but at our place we only
pay 25/- week includes Extras.
I hope you will be able to see
your way clear to adopt this last
course. The living leaves
nothing to be desired in the way
of creature comforts but of
course I say nothing as to
the society - which is anything
but congenial (I mean in a
literary sense). However, you look
to mind this. We will be ready
always out together & will only
use the place as a cubicle.
The address is 21 Moor St, Fitzroy,
^{which street is} exactly opposite the end of the
Carlton Gardens.

You have plenty of time to
write me before coming - so if
there is anything I can do to
assist you in any way you
have only to name it. If possible,
I must probably, I will be on
the Wharf ^{when} you arrive, but
if not leave your traps on board
& ask some one to direct you
to Little Collins Street & in that
street, half way between Deelen
St & William Street, you will
find 66 Chancery Lane & yours
truly.

I will have the "permits," ~~the~~
& everything else that can make
your stay a pleasant one in
Reading, & meanwhile will occupy
myself in counting the days
that are yet to Elapse.

By the way - before I forget -
let me tell you to be sure & bring
over with you a pair of shoes
or boots with no nails in them,
otherwise your life will be a misery.

This letter is written in a great
hurry & all topics are postponed because
I have not, literally, a moment
to myself. The Civil sittings begin
to morrow. We have 9 important
cases & most of our Briefs are late
& as there are 3 Counsel in most
of them you can imagine the
amount of work to be got through.

I have taken engagements home
every night & have been working
about 14 hours a day. I am
quite knocked up, so you will
Excuse short comings & scribbles.

I am in receipt of letters from
E. I, & C. P. 7. Please acknowledge
them with thanks & say why
mention the causes of delay.
Remember me affectionately
to Wilton. He is a long
time writing. I can fancy
he has had enough of me.

I send you an Argus containing
the Cause List - over 80 cases -
with ours marked.

In great haste, good bye

Your affectionate friend

Write as to engaging
the Rooms

W. Hill