

131, Percy Avenue
ROSE LAWN,
KINGSGATE-ON-SEA,
BROADSTAIRS,
KENT.

February 15th.1952

Dear Chapman,

Your letter of yesterday has just dropped in:
I write to you yesterday after getting off the phone, but our
local post was gone~~so~~ probably you will get that and this
ensemble. Yes, the date fixed is Sunday the 17th.
The BBC. people will drop their paraphernalia here in the
morning, go away to lunch, and come back at two o'clock for the
seance. I thought it really a bright idea of Miss Harrington's
to put in a preliminary spot showing the author and artist of
the old Magnet together, and I am sure you will agree that old
readers will lap it up. You will certainly require some
topographical information to find the place. Kingsgate is
about a mile from Broadstairs, and there is no railway station
here. But the taxis are plentiful at the station, and it is
only a few minutes run. There are buses also, but at this time of
the year they are few and far between. If you could manage to
get here at two o'clock, that would be on time. There are good

trains from Victoria: about two and a half hours Vic to
Broadstairs,--it would mean getting into the metropolis
pretty early, but I expect you are accustomed to the run up
from Caversham, and know all about that. Hercule! I do envy
you being able to get about in such a style---how you do it
beats me hollow. I can still turn out my 25,000 words a week
with ease and grace, but I could no more catch trains than I
could catch whales. Good luck to you, old boy, and may you still
be actively locomoting for a quarter of a century to come!

I shall be as pleased as Punch to see you, and only wish
that I could send the Rolls, chauffeur included, to Caversham for
the trip. Alas! No Rolls has yet rolled my way!

Kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Frank Richards