

ROSE LAWN,
KINGSCATE-ON-SEA,
KENT.

January 7 1946.

Dear Mr. Ashby,

Thank you for your letter dated January 3rd, which has just reached me sent on from London. You ask me whether I received a letter from you some 6 or 8 weeks ago. It is a little difficult to say, after so long an interval, for as you may guess, I receive a very large number of letters, often from different correspondents of the same name--for instance, no fewer than 11 old readers named Smith write to me on and off. But one thing is assured--if I did receive your letter, I replied to it, for this is a thing I never omit to do. So it works out like this--either I did not receive your letter, or you did not receive my reply: and in either case, the P.M.G. is responsible!

However, this little matter is easily remedied, if you will take the trouble to write once more, and tell me what was in your first letter, when I will reply to the same--hoping that

the P.M.G. will be a little more careful than he appears to have
been on the previous occasion!

Yours sincerely,

Frank Richards

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