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The Bishop of Stepney,
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Dear Trevor,

When you are again in touch with Dorothy Maud please tell her of your umpire decision about Ned Peterson, which I accept.

I would like to pursue the matter of Ambrose and yourself, and indeed Geoffrey and yourself, too. You say it was not easy to make contact with Ambrose and then you imply that it was easier to make contact with Geoffrey. Yet as I go on writing I am more and more aware of the impersonality of Geoffrey's relationships. You are quite right that Ambrose and you differed fundamentally from Geoffrey over the question of schools. It was one of those terrible decisions in which one could respect both sides.

I have just been reading a lot of waffle about you in the "Observer" of April 2nd. You adopt your famous histrionic pose, but you really look as though you meant what you were saying. It would not surprise me if your nenny told you when you were a child that you had very nice hands, because you cannot keep them out of your pictures. Do you realise that the picture in the "Observer" is a close cousin of the cover of "Nought For Your Comfort"? It shows very little advance over all these years.

At the moment Jonathon has two copies of Chapters 7 - 14 for Rouse, Beyt, Rekele, Yates and Jonathon himself to read. As soon as I get one of these back I shall send it to you and then you can send it to the S.P.C.K. on the understanding, of course, that it is not the final script.

Yours affectionately