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The Rev. C. W. Handford,
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Dear Mr. Handford,

You must have been disappointed in the delays in getting on with Geoffrey's biography, with the reasons for which I shall not worry you but the research is now almost done. There is a lot of material for Capetown and Johannesburg, and although I shall not be able to write more than a chapter on Chesterfield I think it will be reasonably good. With your permission I should like to send you this particular chapter as soon as it is written. Would you be so good as to answer the following supplementary questions:

1. According to Blexell it was in the parish magazine of October 1928 that Clayton wrote a very humorous letter on his appointment as archdeacon, but according to you he was made archdeacon in 1927. Could you please explain this to me?
2. Can I get a copy of the article of May 1928 in which Clayton discusses the 1927/1928 versions of the Revised Prayer Book? He was very dissatisfied with the 1928 version, but I ought to know why.
3. Was St. Catherine's Chapel an integral part of the Chesterfield parish church.
4. Was it of great significance when the P.C.C. in December 1929 asked for "the first bit" (i.e. Matins) to be omitted before the sung Eucharist? Please explain this to me as fully as you can.
5. In what month of 1934 did Clayton write his last letter in C.P.M.?

With best wishes for Christmas and the New Year,

Yours sincerely,

Alan Paton