

On the whole - he saw a great deal that was not to be seen every day in Australia - he did not go to Windsor Castle - but I think he saw the Queen & some of the members of the Royal Family. Your New Governor was on board the Carthage - but joined the vessel somewhere at Long or Arden. When at Denford. William met another friend of mine - A lawyer - Mr. J. Batten who will shortly be Mayor of Peterborough & they took to each other wonderfully - on the whole - William got on as well as he could have wished - but certainly did not take to the Fogs. He was anxious to escape them. Since he went we have had them in the good old style. You have never seen such! it is like having these dirty blankets hanging outside the windows - to prevent too much light coming in from the first in the morning. so that gas had to be lighted - or it wd be like mid night. How does Mildura agree with your wife & children? How was it you did not secure some land - when it could be had by the acre at the price of a bit of Cat's meat? I suppose that to get some at the Tail end of property already taken to the extent 250,000 acres. wd find you too far out of Mildura - for any purpose of inducing Builders to contemplate making many streets of shops. If however you can furnish coverings for 100,000 people - you will have as much as you can well attend to. I wish as many persons were in want of my wares - I am very truly
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Jan^y. 30th 1891.

Dear Mr Corbould

Yours - dated 12 Dec. 1890 reached me on 27th Jan^y. 1891. I had not utterly given you up as being on this side the grave - but as you are considerably under ground - as proved by the terrestrial globe, it viewed from England ^{it is} ^{not} as I was told, the upper surface ^{of the} ^{globe} & I did not know I had left Ballarat ^{where} ^{you} ^{are} ^{now} ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{face} ^{of} ^{the} ^{Earth} you had cut to - I was unable to send you a note, or a Newspaper. nevertheless, before you get this, you will have received L or S. Your brother William it was who told me you had gone to Melbourne - but I did not deem that to be sufficient as an address - for the reason that you might not be quite so popular there, as to be generally known. It may seem vain on my part perhaps - if I said that a letter addressed to Edward Huntz Corbould Esq. R. I. England, would

not be delayed long before I should have it.
Notwithstanding, it is safer not to try it.
William fell among most people here, as though
they had known him ever since the days of
Garbold the Viking! He was at home "wherever
he went, and was the accepted friend of every
body with whom he came in contact, and that
is saying volumes in his favour. He was most kind
& obliging at all times. I had introduced him to
some old friends of mine at Lancaster Gate
Hyde Park. & on the very first day, he was asked
to dinner - & not only that, but before he left,
he was invited to be their guest, & spend a month
in Northamptonshire at Desford Vicarage. & I
& my son Victor Albert also, & I can assure you
we spent a jolly time there together. He was
sufficiently "at home" at the houses of my two
daughters - Mrs Wyburd, & Mrs Geo. Hayward,
that whenever he felt inclined, he could drop in, and
was always treated as one of the family, & they
regretted much when the time came, that they
were to lose sight of him. He sailed in the P. & O. ship
Carthage, on 27th Nov. 1890. & Victor went to see him
off - & the snow began to fall when he from the vessel
was looking down on us, after visitors were forced to leave.

so that whilst under cover himself - he saw the
first footsteps of a Winter which has lasted ever since.
Your Father had fears - that possibly some English
raid - might cast such a spell over him, as to
render his leaving the Country, & your Father wanted
him back. I would swear that there might not
have been some faint ground for your Father's fears.
William said "if I live, & things prosper, you will
see me again in 3 years time." There are some
young ladies, who are aware of that fact, but
I don't know that any one in particular looks
forward to that time more anxiously than another.
After leaving the Northern Territory he went first to
America to see what was doing in the way of Mining,
& afterwards with the same object in view to China,
Japan, & India - then he came on to England, &
went into Scotland & The Isle of Man. Where he went
to a friend of mine - a lawyer, & member of the
Manx Parliament. (called "the House of Keys") and
he mightily enjoyed himself there, & saw the Laxey
Mines - on two occasions he visited Wales to see
a Mine where there is Gold, of which he thought much,
but found it not properly managed. as there was much
Gold - more abundant by far, than in some Australian
mines. After that he went to Germany - but did not
think worth thing of such mining operations as he saw;