

Southampton
5th December 1961.

Dear Tom,

Here is a cheque for the money which I still owe you for the Shetland trip. I have just stamped some cheques for paying in for the mathematical association, and stamped yours too - but the bank should pass it alright.

You remember asking me if I knew where Joyce Batty was now? I have just received a card from the Midland Branch of the mathematical association. On their programme is 'Mathematics at Advanced level: Complex Functions of Many Variables' Miss J.S. Batty, ~~Berkhampt~~ Berkhamsted Girls School. On reading it first I put the 'complex' in the wrong place and thought that she had chosen a really advanced level.

This term is bedlam - the work is piling in and I can't get abreast of it. I'm making (slow) progress on the problem of convexity in statistical metric spaces. The programme for the next Colloquium is complete - both Bott and Bunking are coming. I hope to budget for the Colloquium tomorrow and complete the information sheet and application form.

Miss Nelson is coming down here next month. The one game which she found of Scandinavian type I discovered that Miss Tongue knew in the Quaintocks - so I passed on the information. My plans for visiting her this term have fallen through. Perhaps it is a good job since the tape recorder is back at the makers undergoing a complete overhaul.

I heard from Mrs Johnson who sent me a ~~to~~ new fly for the spinning wheel complete with three pages of illegible writing. I still have not completely deciphered it. I don't seem to have the married name of Timie Scholars daughter who knit the mittens for you. It is time that I ordered my knitting from her for Christmas. Could you let me have her name and the complete address?

Did you know that Cecil Sharp left field notebooks in addition to the ones written out later. The field

books were deposited in CS House by M.K. some time ago and those containing references to morris are now on loan to one Roy Donnell, a physicist at Farnborough, who is collating information. It is the usual story - Sharp messed up most of what he got to fit into his theories and only changed some of his theories and so some of his dances later. At the annual

gathering this year the Winchester men are dancing the Eynsham tradition from Ray Dammets information and a film taken in the 1930's. It is utterly different from the dance as taught by the society - presumably from the 1920's. Rollo Woods, an Univ. dep. librarian and ex Cambridge is preparing to raise Cain about the loaning of MS when the library will not lend replaceable though rare printed books. Incidentally, there are now on the market very good micro film readers which are quite cheap so there is no longer any excuse for not having one at CS house. Our library has just bought two, one of which it proposes to lend on special occasions. The first special occasion will be my showing of your film of Chivers at the Dinton LFSS weekend in two weeks time.

Yours

Frank.