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ST. PATRICK'S PRESBYTERY,

SINGLETON.

24th August, 1960.

My dear AC.,

I thought I'd better drop you a little note to explain how I vanished on last Monday in Taree, when I was waiting to bring you home to Flett St. after School. Well, it happened like this ... when I got to Jim Wilson's he wasn't there, so I went in search of him - but while searching I happened to meet some other people who stopped to talk, and I just couldn't get away. The result was when I went back for you, you could not be found anywhere, so I expect you had walked home. I do hate to disappoint people when I have made arrangements, especially to disappoint such a good little girl as you. However, I was so pleased to see you again and to know you are doing very well. I quite forgot to remind you that you promised to write to me : I know you have been working very hard. Maybe during the holidays you may be able to drop me a line (not one with a hook on it) to let me know how everything is going. That

mention of the line and hook has just reminded me that I was to see you at Harrington when you were going to fish for "Harrington Harry" ... well, I was in Harrington that Sunday and I searched the place for you ... I walked with Leo Mooney from one end of the breakwater to the other but I didn't see a sign of you anywhere. But of course, there were thousands of people there and you could easily have passed unseen. There would have been as much chance of seeing you in Harrington as in Sydney on a busy day. By the way, I'll be in Sydney during the holidays: so watch out. All next week I'll be at the Monastery for my Retreat; then on Monday week (5th. September) I'll be in Sydney. My brother is there at present on a holiday from Ireland, and I have four little nieces and three little nephews there also. I'll have to go down to take them for a drive. If you are still in Sydney on Monday 5th. September, you can come with us. Let me know when you write. I have put two envelopes in this letter, one is my address at the Monastery if you happen to write for next week (Aug. 29th till Sept. 2nd.), the other is my address where I live at Singleton.  
God bless you, AC, lots of love from *AC*