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Frieth Lodge,
Sandy Lane,
Northwood
Middlesex.

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and Sammy rowed² and I took my ease at the tiller. They are both very capable. We walked back just in time for lunch.

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job.

The change will be considerably to my advantage, though I shall have to lead a sort of double life, partly in Leicestershire and partly in London. I shall, for some time to come at any rate, remain connected with the Air Registration Board.

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With love from us all

Your own son Harold.

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