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Glen Rose - 5th July

Dear Queen, Yesterday I spent ~~the~~ the day in Victoria on my own & visited three places in quest of a job - I think the whole thing must wait now until next Monday when I have to take a test for the Civil Service Commission & it will depend on that what I try for next. The people I have seen are very pleasant & encouraging. Victoria is a beautiful city & the park down by the harbour with Parliament Buildings, the Empress Hotel & Gardens, & the boats going to & from Vancouver & Seattle is simply marvellous. I should love to get a job with the Civil Service Commission, just for the setting alone. On Saturday I took me in to show me the sights & Aunt I've very sweetly treated us to lunch at the Empress, where we had gorgeous salads with fruit all mixed up with cream cheese. The people you see in there are really an eye-bul - a lot of American visitors with immense garden parties. We shopped in a Super market where you tumbled round a great basket like a pram collecting your meat, groceries, & fruit of every kind. When you have paid for it it had it wrapped up & your tumbled it to the door which opens magically for you, like the one at the

Science Museum, & you can the drive your car up to the kerb & load the stuff straight in. This was a Safe-Way Super market, which meant that enormous car parking space was provided in front. We then went in to the Vegetable market, which is all in Canadian log cabin style with sawdust on the ground, a corral for children to ride ponies, & everything set out in the most enticing way. We bought ice cream cones from a large lady wearing an ancient Cowboy hat, but I am told that all this is really rather laid on for the tourists. On Thursday I think I am moving in to the same boarding house as Florence - called Roccabelle, Blanshard St, Victoria. I'm not sure yet whether she can take me a Thursday, till the present occupant makes definite plans. You get full board for the equivalent of £7.7.0 a week & I think that will do very well till I really get fixed up, as it is very central. It is a large well-established place & has been running with a good reputation for generations. Most of the other residents are elderly, but I shall probably only stay a fairly short time. I don't want to rush at jobs or accommodation & then feel I must keep changing. Alice came back last night & is very pleasant, not at all plausibly. He had had a wonderful few days sailing & was lobstered. Today he took me in to Victoria, as he had to go



to a shop like a glorified Boson's where you get camping equipment like that. He also decided that his car was absolutely filthy & needed a wash, so we went to a 5-minute Car Wash, which to me was like going to the lizard's Cave in a Fun game. They suctioned out all the Squalor from inside (we had got out first!) & then we got back in & were towed on a slow conveyor belt into the lizard's Cave where the water spray is turned on to you, followed by drying breezes, followed by a soap wash, more spray & more drying breezes. You emerge, speckless, feeling as though you have been through a tropical storm. This costs you about 10/- . The only important thing to remember is to shut your windows tightly. There are lots & lots of Chinese people in Victoria, all with tiny feet - it was the Japanese who got turned out. There are Chinese landladies & mostly the waitresses are Chinese. There are also charming carriages called Tally-Ho's drawn by 4 horses, which take tourists around the beauty spots - I must send you a p.c. of them, also the totens in Thunder Bird Park. Do write to me soon. The welcome at Ole Rosa is wonderful. So cosy & genuine & they are obviously a centre of fun in Sydney. Love Lane.