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23rd December, 1965.

The Right Reverend
The Bishop of Newcastle,
Bishopscourt,
NEWCASTLE. N.S.W. 2300

Dear Sir:

You will have received my telegram advising you of the appointment of Allan Fitchingman to the parish of Lismore. He will be serving alongside another married priest-assistant (who is also part-time chaplain to the hospitals of Lismore), with Archdeacon John *Robinson as Rector. He will take the place of Peter Dillon who leaves next week for an Army chaplaincy (which he had been promised, a year or two ago), and he should be free to live in the house as soon after 30th December as his furniture can be brought from Newcastle. It has been arranged in any case for him and his wife to go to the house in that week and, if need be, bed down in the car (which they often use so) until the furniture arrives.

I had a good talk with them both and they had a meal in our home. We are very impressed with her, and I feel sure, with you, that he will make the grade. He is obviously a man of special gifts.

I am grateful to you for giving us this opportunity, and I believe that he will more than justify your confidence in him. I assume that you would want me to keep the confidential report : but I am ready to return it if you want it for your file.

With true regard:

Yours ever,

London

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in whom I have confided
re A.K.

R.S. Arthur: Bishop.

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