

pleased that I have come out here because my experiences have taught me many lessons that will prove invaluable to me in after life. I have met some grand men out here. I can tell you.

Well, enough about my miserable self and my experiences, and now a word about you. I heard all about your new arrival from Ivy and I sincerely hope both mother and child are doing well, as the papers say.

Take great care of yourself, Annie dear. You say "the young lady sends her love" to me. Well, considering that I have never made the acquaintance of your new daughter I think she is exceptionally forward. However, if she will promise to be good when we do meet I am prepared to overlook the offence. My earnest wish is that she may always be blessed with good health and happiness and may follow in the footsteps of her charming mamma. I can't say more than that, can I?

I heard from Horrie the other day & she tells me that she is not having her.