

ANNEX AA November 11<sup>th</sup>, 1941. Last letter home. Submission p. 15.

INTERCEPTION EXPECTED ON THIS TRIP  
H.M.A.S. SYDNEY V THE RAIDER  
SAILOR HUSBAND FINDS A WAY TO WARN HIS WIFE

Confiding in his wife and acknowledging his responsibility to do so, the only way he knows and is allowed under restrictions, signifying this trip was different - by use of Parable-type speech, or cryptic message - Two well-known Fairy Stories.

1. "The Three Bears". Goldilocks is trespassing in the Bears' Home and gets chased out. (Raider is trespassing in Australian waters off W.A. and gets chased away).
2. "The Fox and The Grapes". Preferred, as the Fox gets the grapes in the end. The SYDNEY gets the Raider in the end.  
(BUT) the grapes might be sour after all the trouble they have been to.  
(the awful thought of the possible wrong outcome after all the readiness for action.)
  - \* Ending up at the bottom of a muddy creek = (SYDNEY may sink).
  - \* Terrible thought: "Oh hell".
  - \* Change the subject to something more cheerful (letter returns to family talk).
  - \* A declaration follows of how many years he has loved his wife.

(The last 2 letters home, have the devotion as a caring husband and father that no other letter conveyed in this manner. This trip was to be different and he found a way to prepare his wife for sole parentship on the 9<sup>th</sup> November, 1941 and warn of what was before them on this trip on the 11<sup>th</sup> November, 1941 and how much he loved her. (My analysis).

Following a vision my mother had on the night of 20<sup>th</sup> November, 1941, when my father 'appeared' at their window, she picked lilies from the my father's garden and place them inside. The lilies were later removed from the garden - after receipt of the telegram).

p.2. I would tell you a story "about the jolly old fox or the perhaps the 3 bear would suit better or I like the FOX the best cause he gets those jolly old grapes some time I know, be funny if the things are sour after all, the trouble we have been to have one to find a muddy bottom in the old creek, Oh hell,

p.3. Now lets get into some thing cheerfull once again

p.4.  
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 loved  
 ^ you, 16 years or more

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