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NR. CANTERBURY.
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2nd March, 1968.

Dear Canon Perry,

You may remember my speaking to you in the
bus about Mrs. Gregory, who restored Bridge Church.
Following our conversation I am enclosing an account
of the Gregorys of Bridge Hill and also an account of
the origin of Dering road, which like wise nobody in
your village seems to know anything about - at least,
I never came across anybody that did!

I have made my account of the Gregorys as full
as possible because (a) it is all new stuff and (b) it
seems to me only proper that people who give so
generously are deserving of generous treatment. I
have tried to make all the facts read easily and
interestingly, so that you will not need to do anything
except ~~to~~ alter the first line to run in with your
existing material on the church restoration.

Although there is nothing particularly new in it, the
item on Dering road brings together a number of facts
which have never before been so assembled and are interesting
on that account, or so I hope you will find. This is quite
possible, however, that many of them may be new to Bridge
residents.

I do hope that you will find this material satisfactory &
may I suggest that before you publish your history of

Bridge ~~the~~ you get in touch with Malcolm A. Pinkhorn, formerly of Bridge Place and now of Shalfleet Manor, near Newport, I.O.W. He knows much of various matters relevant to the village that are not otherwise known, especially in relation to Bridge Place. It is possible, however, that he may be contemplating an article based on his studies, in which case he may, perhaps, be unwilling to anticipate it by providing you with his material. But you can always find out by asking him and I would strongly suggest that you ask him, at least, to vet your account of Bridge Place and its owners and occupants, especially the family of Braems. He will also, probably, have accounts of Beneacre (or however it is now spelt) and the Taylors of Bifrons (that may be useful to you).

If you think I can help you further in any way please let me know.

Yours sincerely,
Philip H. Blake,

The Rev. Canon Colin F. H. Perry,
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