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144 Buchanan Street
Cape Town
15th Jan. 1936.

Dear Chief.

Your letter found me in bed recovering from concussion on the eye + severe shock. I had a nasty accident a Bicycle travelling at a terrific speed bumped into + knocked me over, unconscious. I was really bad but thank the Lord I am very much improved now and up + about, just a bit nervy still, and that it should just happen now when I am so loaded with worries. I hope you are all keeping well. Arthur went to meet your cousin Tuesday morning. I was disappointed yesterday morning when I rang up the hostel to make an appointment to take him to the doctor, to find that Mr Brown had already taken him, so I left a message for them to bring him here in the afternoon for tea, he came, he really looks thin, although he tells me that he feels much better since he is in Cape Town, the doctor has not examined him yet; Mr Brown is taking him again today, I'll ring up later to find out how he is.

I understand from the Landlord of this place that the committee gave him notice that they'll be vacating this place at the end of February. I haven't heard a word from them I really do feel worried as I don't know what is happening, I heard that they intend closing down Temporarily, and

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to transfer me to Keerom street, I am feeling very unhappy about the whole affair since they don't discuss anything with me, and I wouldn't like to manage Keerom Street as you know chief that place needs a man occasionally they do get some very tough people to deal with it wouldn't be safe for me, as the Boys won't be there during the day I am just waiting to see how things are going to develop. I suppose by the end of this month I'll know, I am seriously thinking of taking this over myself, I'm sure I can make it pay, the Landlord is offering me to take it for £14. per month rent, perhaps later on I can find another place. The only trouble is I have no cash you know what it means to keep up arthurs education, that's another worry & me I am finding it very difficult to get him articled with a Lawyer they all seem to wanting to make it a business deal & want us to pay £300. premium, he should have been articled already, well I only have to try hard & find an attorney who won't ask for any premium, probably I will, another friend is also helping me.

If I am pushed to open on my own, will you please Loan me the Sum of £300. on interest, I really don't like doing this and hope that things will turn out so that I don't need to: if I do

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want it. I'll let you know after the end of January. You must forgive me but I have no other friend that I can approach in this matter and my Dads words were always this "if ever you need anything dont ask anybody else but the Chief for help" I even dreamt it the other night he told me the same words, at the same time I want you to know that if you can't it would make no difference to our friendship.

I'll be waiting anxiously on your reply so please do so soon.

With Kindest regards from the 3 of us to you, your mother & Sister and all at home.

Yr. Sincerely.

T. J Davis.