

"Lydiard Cottage"

Wednesday.

My dear Sir,

Things continue the same - continuous rain all winter. However, Spring is here at last so things will start to improve, & with the lighter evenings.

I am enclosing the papers which I know you will keep safe for me.

As you know, the incident at Ackington has been of very special interest. (I just can't believe it was over 50 years ago.) When I had nothing to do I compiled this report on the matter which gives the story details without going through the newspapers at any time.

Nevertheless, I still found them sad, especially, as the accident was not due to bombing but one of

on our own aircraft crashing.

The Stirlings had problems with gaining height, and, it was on the day of the incident at Castle Coombe (FRIDAY 13 MARCH) that signalled a red letter day for 75 Sqdn & Nepal for the first. Lancasters had arrived to replace the Stirlings.

Well I will close now to get the papers together & have a cup of Tea.

Take care dear,

Dad love

Mum

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