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9th February, 1972.

Mr. Benjamin Pogrand,
C. 15 Mediterranean,
North Avenue,
Riviera,
JOHANNESBURG.

Hullo Thief !

There's an excuse for a Bantu to indulge in theft because he can at least argue that he acted under the pressure of necessity; but for a White man, and a White man of your standing, at that, there is just no excuse. "Disgraceful" is the word that came to mind immediately I read the report in the paper. Honestly you are building up a reputation for yourself that is becoming extremely embarrassing to us of the family in defying the law (as the Prosecutor correctly observed) and stealing your own property. Why the blazes should you steal what you own? Why couldn't you just take it? It was yours, after all!

You haven't heard the last about this from me. I assure you.

The addresses of the children are as follows:-

Miliswa and Dali,
St Agnes High School,
P. O. Box 44,
TRVATRYANENG.
LESOTHO.

~~Dedani,
Life Secondary School,
P. O. Box 915,
MASERU.
LESOTHO~~

Dini,
Lesotho High School,
P. O. Box 46,
MASERU.
LESOTHO

} + Dedani

I have about all the books Benji except:

✓ Cowen (ed) Education and Nation building in Africa R2.85
Schapera: A Handbook of Tswana Law and Custom (case R9.20

or

✓ SEYMOUR Bantu Law in South Africa (Juta) R12.50

I have written to Britain to thank R. for everything.

Looking forward to seeing you. Love to Anne and
Kids.

Rob

Affectionately, Rob.

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