

Extracts from letter dated 3 February 1915
of Isa Cunningham to Charles Jamieson.

On hearing of the death of a colleague of Charles Jamieson, Mr Pearce, Isa Cunningham made the following comments:

p8-10 ...He had been a very fine man indeed and such a sudden call he had and not an old man by any means. It is sad to think dear that he and his wife had such a short time together. I sincerely hope we don't need to wait 25 years but I don't think we will have such a long time to wait. I somehow feel as if it was coming near. And dear are you asking for our way to be opened up and the way made clear if it is to be for our good?

P16 I had a wee talk with Willie on Sunday night and he thinks £300 will take it all its time to buy furniture and all the other things. You see dear it is not so much the furniture as the little items that crop up. For instance there is the wedding ring, the trip, the expenses connected with getting married, the fitting up of the house perhaps grates etc. gas fittings and all that. And their (sic) this terrible war going on too.

So if we don't get married in September Christmas would be the next term in England and that would be rather a cold time to get a house put in order. Then the next term would be March (am I right?) that would be brighter surely, both as regards weather and war. But of course dear I am only talking. I am not decided for all. Our way may open up yet for this year. The only thing is that if it is to be September we would almost need to be decided now and that seems to me not yet just possible. With these air raids London does not seem very safe.

....Of course if I came in to a fortune!!! Don't you think though s--
--dear that we would be the better of a little money in our pockets over the £300? The only thing is I'll be a year older. What do you say to that dear ?