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Dear Mr Abbott,

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re Tom Pearce's Bible.

As you know I have been in contact with Mr Peter
Younis about means by which my grandfather's
presentation Bible can be released to be
exhibited with his other effects, like the
shovellers at Nagstaff Hill museum. In
the event that it will be, I have enclosed
a photograph to join it.

When my son Bill Jormer was at Port
Campbell he was able to handle his great
grandfather's Bible and was surprised

By a childish inscription opposite that of the
presentation which reads (I think this is the
way I got it) THIS BIBLE IS THE PROPERTY OF
ANGELA ELIZABETH PEARCE.

Angela is my late cousin. Her father was Tom's
second son Robert Strasenburgh Pearce. I and
my father Raymond Simpson are the surviving
grandchildren of Tom by our mother Edith
Mary Pearce, his only daughter.

Angela and her mother, at the beginning of
W.W.2 evacuated from England to Sydney N.S.W.
but sadly John was dead by early in the '60s
Robert (my uncle Bobby) went down with his
ship on the Mallett convoy code named PEDESTAL
escorting ^{with other ships} a vital oil tanker OHIO to the island.

Yours sincerely

Penelope Jordan