

**B**OURNVILLE,

NEAR **B**IRMINGHAM.

January 3rd.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am sending you a book of photographs of  
Angola and the islands.

I shall be very glad to hear if the book  
in Portuguese is now published widely, and how it is  
being received. I sent you particulars and labels - I  
hope all these came to hand safely.

Yours truly,

*W. C. C. C.*



BOURNVILLE,

NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

January 10th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Would you kindly forward a Portuguese copy of "Labour in Portuguese West Africa" to Mr. A. S. Pacheco, Benguela, under cover of enclosed label, and much oblige. I also send my card for enclosure in the book.

Yours truly,

*W. C. C. C.*

*I wired today, Dask if  
the book is issued to the  
press*



Senhor A. S. Pacheco,  
Benquella  
Portuguese West Africa

3th. 1910.

FROM  
WILLIAM A. CADBURY, BOURNVILLE, BIRMINGHAM.

you for your wire,

and hope by now the whole of the books have been sent out. At present I have not seen a single notice in a Portuguese paper, although I get everything on the subject from Lisbon, and the "Seculo" quite recently put in a very bitter article against me personally, that could not have been founded upon any study of the book. I shall be particularly glad if you will let me know what is the general effect of the book on the press and public of Portugal.

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I received copies of the publication by Mr. Mendonça - "Boa Entrada Plantations" - and it has been specially interesting to me. Captain Faro (now Count Faro) has written a similar work on Agua Ize, and I have not yet seen copies. Will you be so kind as to send me three copies at least at the



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**BourNVILLE,**

NEAR **BIRMINGHAM.**

January 13th. 1910.

Mr. da Silva.

earliest possible moment - I should like three more  
in due course.

I have not heard anything from you lately  
as to the financial side of our transaction, and  
should be very pleased to know how the funds stand.

Your son seems to go on very nicely here;  
I hope to see a little more of him shortly, and to  
find out whether he is making progress.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W. A. C. C. C.*



**B**OURNVILLE,

NEAR **B**IRMINGHAM.

January 17th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am much obliged for your letter of the 11th. and for the explanation why the books have not been already sent out, but I am very thankful to hear you are sending them now. I have the first acknowledgment from Martin Weinstein of Lisbon.

We are very sorry to hear what a terrible time you have had in Oporto with the floods, and sympathise very much with all your people.

I think I have seen all the cuttings you have sent of any importance, because I get the "Economista" which summarises the lot, and also we receive the "Seculo" articles that are of any importance. I am very anxious to see what they say about my book.

With regard to the suggested journey of the secretaries of the Geographical Society, I am convinced that their visit would fall absolutely flat in England, and that it would be considered to be a most inappropriate subject for a scientific society to take up until they were in a position to personally prove all their statements from



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**BourNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

January 17th.1910

Mr. A. H. da Silva.

first-hand evidence. I think on the other hand that your suggestion that they should go to Angola and S. Thome and make exhaustive enquiry for themselves is extremely wise, and I think that they might do worse than study up some of the questions referred to in the book on the spot, and insist on seeing the roças with the bad reputations, as well as the favoured roças which were of course the only ones that we were allowed to see. At Nova Brazil and several more on the south-east side of the island there is a terrible record for mortality, and no stranger as far as I know has ever set foot within their precincts.

I wish you every success in your journey.

Yours truly,

*W. H. H. H. H.*



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Mr. A. H. da Silva,

~~c/o Posta Restante,~~

~~Lisbon~~

*Parque da Assembleia 101  
Porto*



I heard from Wragge & Co.  
solicitors, yesterday, that  
they have not yet received  
your statement of account, and  
that everything else was finis-  
hed but this. I hope it has  
not been lost in the flood.  
Will you kindly send it to them  
by return of post.

Yours truly,

*William A. Cadbury,*  
*Bournville,*  
*Birmingham.*



BOURNVILLE,

NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

January 24th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Thank you for your kind note, and the very interesting book of the king's visit: I shall look at it with very much pleasure.

I am sorry to see my own book is not yet sent out - please do this with the least possible delay if not already finished, as I think it will lessen in value the more it is withheld.

Thank you also for the rather ridiculous cartoons from the papers.

Yours truly,

*Walden*

*Johnson spent Sunday with us  
at Malvern: he seems very well*



WRAGGE, HOLLIDAY, GODLEE,  
BARROW & HORTON.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:  
WRAGGE, BIRMINGHAM.  
TELEPHONE N<sup>o</sup>  
CENTRAL 167.

4, *Bennetts Hill*,  
*Birmingham*,

24th. January 1910.

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Cadbury v Standard

I am much obliged by your letter of the 18th. inst.  
enclosing Receipt.

Your remuneration and expenses amounted to £54-5-6  
less £20 paid on account, leaving a balance of £34-5-6.

I enclose herewith a cheque for this amount. ~~the equivalent~~  
~~of this sum.~~

I estimate that the Standard's own costs amounted to  
upwards of £7000 and that the amount of costs they will  
have to pay to Messrs. Cadbury will not be less than £4000.  
This is a mere estimate as one cannot tell what the Taxing  
Master will allow.

Yours faithfully,

*Kalter Barrow*

Senor A.H. da Silva  
rue Rainha 105,  
OPORTO.



**B**OURNVILLE,

NEAR **B**IRMINGHAM.

February 2nd.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Thank you for your two letters of January 26th. and January 29th. I am more than satisfied with all your kind services in connection with this matter, and think the visit to Lisbon should do a great deal of good: I am interested to read the account of your interview with the members of the Geographical Society.

I think it is better to send the copies of the 'summing-up' to you, and so am sending under separate cover four copies as you request, and you can send them on personally to the people in Lisbon.

I am very pleased with the get-up of the book and the paper envelope in which it is enclosed - it is satisfactory and creditable to the printers. I sincerely hope the book will do good.

One paper in England - "The World" - continues to personally abuse us, the rest for the moment keep silence. We have, as you know, just finished another general election, with much unpleasant personal matter connected with it.

I hope you are none the worse for your visit to



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**B**OURNVILLE,  
NEAR **B**IRMINGHAM.

February 2nd.1910

Mr. da Silva.

Lisbon, and should be glad if you will charge the expenses to my account. I shall be glad in due course to have a copy of this account, but there is no hurry at all.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W. C. Cadbury*

P.S. I acknowledge with many thanks the copy of the book on Agua Ize.



**Bournville,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

February 8th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I have received from Lisbon no further notes in connection with the book beyond that of the "Seculo", and shall be glad to have a report from you how it is being received, and if it is selling freely, also if there is likely to be any call for a further edition. I think that it is an open question whether it is wise to add to any Portuguese edition the preface and added chapter of the second edition - that is a matter that I shall leave absolutely to your judgment. I should like another four copies of the Portuguese edition in envelopes sent to me. I have a very nice note from Mr. Lithgow this morning, and some others in acknowledgment of the books sent out.

Yours truly,

*W. A. Catbury*



**BOURNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

February 18th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Thanks very much for your note - I am pleased to think the book is being well received. I shall be glad to hear from you further in due course.

Your son has had a little cold, but I hope it is better now. I am hoping to go out with him tomorrow (Saturday) if it is fine.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*Wae*



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THIS SIDE FOR THE ADDRESS

*M. R.*



*afonso da Silva*

*Oporto*

*Rua 105.*



How is the book  
selling? I expect  
you see the Econ-  
omista every week  
it is a brace little  
paper.

I can't find out that  
your government is  
taking any real  
steps towards reform

J. L. King

William A. Cadbury,  
Bournville,  
Birmingham.



**B**OURNVILLE,

NEAR **B**IRMINGHAM.

March 14th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Senhor Thomaz Jorge (formerly written "George") writes to say he much appreciates the reference to his work in my book, but he has not received a copy: I sent you a label, and should be glad to know whether a copy was sent - in any case please post another to him. I also do not understand why he could not get a copy at the booksellers in Lisbon - I send you his letter.

I shall be glad to have a report from you as to how the book is being received, and if it is selling in the shops.

Yours truly,

W. A. Cadbury.

*W.A.*



**B**OURNVILLE,

NEAR **B**IRMINGHAM.

March 18th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I have a nice letter this morning from Sr. Campos, S. Thomé, in acknowledgment of the book you sent to him - he asks for another copy. Will you therefore kindly send him one under cover of the attached label, & much oblige.

Yours truly,

*W. A. Cadbury*

P.S. I have not had any reply to the last two letters as to sale of books, stock in hand, comments in the press, etc.



**BOURNVILLE,**

NEAR **BIRMINGHAM.**

March 29th. 1910.

*Recd.  
M/4/1910*

Dear Mr. Silva,

I am much obliged for your letter of the 23rd., and the list of people to whom you have distributed the book: if you want this back please let me know.

I am also interested to see the advertisements, and the account of the lecture of Captain Bertrand.

I should be very pleased if you think well to distribute some of the remaining copies among the Commons now sitting.

I have received from the Marquez Valle Flor this morning a copy in English of the answer to the Cadbury Mission. It is not signed, and cannot I think be taken seriously by us. I am asking him for a few more copies.

Yours truly,

*W. L. Cadbury*



Bourville,

near Birmingham.

April 6th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am much obliged for your letter, and return the list of the people to whom you have sent the book. I think if only one of the books with the label came back, it is a good record.

I am glad to hear the book has been for sale as described, but should be interested to know what the record of these sales has been.

I do not need any more of Count Faro's book, as you kindly sent me all I required.

I see the "Economista", and note they do not speak with much respect of the Valle Flor publication, on the other hand I see most eulogistic references in the "Seculo", "Diario de Noticias" etc. which I suppose have a very large circulation, while the "Economista" is a very small paper indeed. Thanks also for the article written by you to the French paper.

I am glad your boy gets on well: I am going to ask him to accompany me in a short journey to the north of England and Edinburgh next week, if I am able to get away.

With kind regards to you all,

Yours truly,

W. A. Cadbury



BOURNVILLE,

NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

April 9th. 1910.

Dear Mr. da Silva,

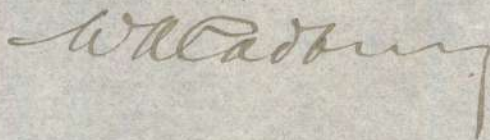
I am much obliged to you for sending a copy of Mantero's book. I have not seen this before, though I supposed it must be coming out. It will be of great interest to us: I will send it Burttt to look at in the first place.

I imagine that this is the book that they propose to translate into English later on, and if so I may not see an official copy till then, and therefore propose to keep this one unless you specially require it.

The list of names was sent back to you. I should think that now you have advertised the book throughout all the papers you have perhaps done enough, as one does not wish to unduly press one's personality when all have had an opportunity of seeing the matter if they wish.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,



P.S. Thanks also for letter from Jorge.



BOURNVILLE,

NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

May 5th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am glad to tell you that your son is doing very well in the office, and that they have given him a move. He is very quiet, and I cannot say that his conversation gets on quite as quickly as I should like, but his work is in every way satisfactory.

I have been wondering whether it would not be very good for him to take one or two terms at the Woodbrooke Settlement. This is a Settlement in connection with the Society of Friends, for those who wish in after life to take some part in public and religious work, and they have courses of lectures upon various subjects in connection with the needs of the time - the whole atmosphere of the place is ruled by an endeavour to equip the students for their future life as professing Christians. The head of the Settlement is a very able Cambridge man (Professor Rendel Harris) and there are several capable lecturers; there are men and women students, and some of many nationalities - American, Norwegian, Russian, Dutch, etc., as well as English. It occurs to me that whatever future Luiz

P.S. I am sending you a pamphlet in connection with Woodbrooke under separate cover.



**BourNVILLE,**

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**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

May 5th. 1910.

Mr. A. H. da Silva.

has before him, the experience of perhaps a year in such a Settlement would be very valuable, and I think it would give him a much wider kind of education than he can now obtain at Bournville. I do not feel his time has been at all lost here, but he has perhaps learned almost as much as he can do in our office of the simple office methods, and now I think he needs to use his tongue and brain much more.

If you care for him to undertake such a course it would be a very great pleasure to me to pay the fees for one year.

I ~~have not yet written,~~ but shall in the meantime enquire whether it would be possible for him to go into residence at the beginning of the autumn term, September next.

Is there any possibility of seeing you over here this summer? - if so you would be able to judge for yourself much better by seeing the place.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W. A. Cadbury*



BOURNVILLE,

NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

May 9th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Thank you for your letter of May 3rd. I shall be glad to have an answer from you about the suggestion that your son should go to Woodbrooke for a year. I have a letter from Professor Rendel Harris, which I enclose - I shall not take your son to see Professor Harris until I know from you that it is what you would wish him to do. I think if he went to Woodbrooke he should stay a year, and therefore think it just possible you might like him to return home for a month in the summer; it is not very expensive on the return boat direct to Leixoes. He has arranged to go with our boys to the camp in the beginning of August, which I hope he may be able to accomplish, and the Woodbrooke term does not begin till quite the end of September. *I should be glad to see him return*

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W.A. Cobby*

*I send you copy of the 3rd. edition  
of the book under separate cover.*



**BOURNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

May 18th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am glad to have the report of your visit to Lisbon, and thank you for all the kind attention you have given to this matter. I have a further letter from Campos in S. Thome, and think he intends to interest himself in the subject on his return.

I am not taking any further steps with regard to your son and Woodbrooke until I have a reply from you to my former letter.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W. C. C. C.*



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Mr. A. H. da Silva,

Rua da Rainha 105

Oporto,

Portugal.



I note that Paiva Conceiro  
is now publishing his book  
on Angola, and should like  
two copies if you would kindly  
procure these and send them  
to me, charging all cost to my  
account, & much oblige.

Yours truly,

*William A. Cadbury,*  
*Bournville,*  
*Birmingham.*



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Mrs A. H. da Silva,  
Rua da Rainha 105,  
Oporto  
Portugal



Thanks for  
your letter. I  
will now take an  
opportunity of  
mentioning the matter  
to your son.

Yours



William A. Cadbury,  
Bournville,  
Birmingham.



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Mr. A. E. da Silva,

Rua da Rainha 105,

Oporto,

Portugal.



Thanks for your card  
and the paper sent. I note  
that the advertisement will  
appear next Sunday for the  
last time: do not trouble to  
send the papers.

Yours truly,

*William A. Cadbury,*

*Bournville,*

*Birmingham.*



BOURNVILLE,

NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

June 28th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I have not heard from you about the proposals for your son at Woodbrooke - we shall be very glad to have an answer with your definite opinion at an early date.

I think you have met Mr. Mott, the gentleman who presided at the Edinburgh conference, which appears to have been a great success.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

W. A. Cadbury.

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This is my address for June.

TELEGRAMS—

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LLANFAELOG.

POST AND RAIL—

CRAIG-Y-DON,  
TY CROES,  
ANGLESEY.

June 4

Dear Mr. da Silva

I hope that you are  
better again. Your son  
came to dinner with us  
on Sunday, and then we  
went to call on Dr. Harris  
and then on to Woodbrooke.  
I gathered that Dr. H. con-  
sidered your son rather  
young for the course of



Social Economics, and further he said that he considered that one term would probably be all he would need, and it was all many students took, who were afterwards going into ordinary business. This led me to conclude that it would be much the best for him to stay on at Bourneville till next Easter (or winter if you prefer) and then go to Woodbrooke for one term. Please tell me if you approve of this: I do not think it would be good to go first to Woodbrooke and then back to Bourneville. The chief advantage he will in any case gain is the association with



men and women, his equals,  
or superiors in intellect, /  
of 3 or 4 nations.

① Please let me have your  
definite wishes. ② also:  
would you like him to return  
to Portugal this summer?

I think he is quite happy  
and perhaps there is no  
need, but you must say  
what you think

③ Shall he go to W. at Lucas  
on Easter? — for three months



(4) Dr. Harris is anxious that  
he shall apply his mind to  
definite English study, and  
also to some mathematics —  
will you say if we shall advise  
him what to do or if you  
will tell him direct?

He is to come to the sea  
(near here) next month  
which will do him a lot  
of good.

Very kind regards

John W. Gladstone



BOURNVILLE,

NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

July 13th. 1910.

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am much obliged for your two letters, and shall now have much pleasure in asking Professor Harris to arrange for a course of reading for your son up till Easter next, when he will look to enter Woodbrooke for one term. I am much interested to hear that you have prospects of going to Brazil, and feel sure that this will be a very helpful journey and widen your interests and influence.

Luiz is going into Camp at the end of this month, and I hope he will have a very good holiday. I gather from your letter that you are satisfied that he should not return to Oporto at present: if later on, towards Christmas time, you think a short visit is desirable, you will let me know, otherwise he would hope to return home about July next.

Thank you very much for the information you send on, which I am forwarding to Burt to look through in the first place. I am very sorry if I did not deal fairly with the "natives of S. Thome" - perhaps I took the



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**B**OURNVILLE,

NEAR **B**IRMINGHAM.

July 13th.1910

Mr. da Silva.

statements of the Portuguese too literally, but I can assure you that I am personally very convinced of their most degraded state.

Yours sincerely,

*W. C. Adams*



**BourNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

August 8th., 1910.

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am much obliged for your note. I see you are not going to Brazil, so if you decide to come to England before next year to see your boy, we should be very pleased to have a call: I think he is quite well, and has enjoyed a holiday in camp at the sea.

I see the committee on S. Thome is composed of just the same old names, and do not expect their policy will be changed. Mantero has sent his large book in English to every newspaper editor, but it has at present received very little attention. Fortunately at the same time I received Paiva Couceiro's book on "Angola", and was able to translate the chapter on S. Thome labour and send it to the press, so that the one will a little counteract the other. I think myself that Couceiro's statement is the clearest thing yet written by a responsible Portuguese, and ought to be spread widely in your country.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W. A. C. C. C.*



**BourNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

August 13th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am much obliged for your note and the paper "A Capital". The article looks interesting, and I am having it translated. I hope there will be a good row made if an honest man has been removed from a government post at the instigation of the planters.

Yours truly,

*W. L. Garrison*



**Bournville,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

August 16th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am much obliged for your note, and shall be very interested to see the upshot of the Leotte do Rego incident.

I do not wish to unduly influence you about your Bournville lectures, but I sometimes wonder whether it is quite advisable for you to take up the position of lecturing in Portugal on our virtues. I feel you are one of the very few who can stand up for the right in this S. Thomé matter, and I am sure you do so of your own conviction without the smallest influence brought to bear by any of us. On the other hand I can imagine some of our enemies viewing the situation differently and supposing that you are in some way serving our business interests by running Bournville lectures at the same time as condemning S. Thomé cocoa cultivation. I am sure we can leave the matter entirely in your hands, to do what you think best.

The paper you supply in connection with the box of chocolate bought is of course fraudulent; I am much obliged for the report and will send it to our export dept.

Yours truly,

*W. L. D. B. J.*



**Bournville,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

August 29th.1910.

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Thanks very much for your letter of August 23rd. I should be very pleased to leave it to your discretion as to what is best to do with the letter to the "African Mail" and the extract from Couceiro's book: the last at least I hope will be widely read in Portugal. It would appear from the papers that you are having strenuous times at the present election, and I hope the result may be for the good of your country. I have the fullest confidence in your judgment in connection with <sup>the S.Thome</sup> ~~this~~ matter, and feel that in time to come others will look to you for some guidance in the future policy of their country, for you are trusted by those who know you, and I am firmly convinced that reform must come through the Portuguese themselves.

Dr. Harris has seen your son, and I shall have a chat with him shortly.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W. C. Cadbury*



**BOURNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

September 26th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

The "Economista" of September 11th. gives a very important article on the condition of affairs in Principe. The article is signed 'Fidelis' and to that extent anonymous and of less value. I think it is important that people who are continuing to buy the product of this island should have such information before them, but it would be hardly wise to send the information of an anonymous writer unless duly guaranteed. What is most desirable is that we should be able to quote a piece of direct authorised personal evidence, not the article of an anonymous contributor.

I most carefully abstained from reporting any hearsay evidence as to the state of things in these islands because I felt that the key of the situation was in Angola, and it was a pity to confuse people's minds. Further there are estates well conducted where nevertheless the condition is slavery.

I shall be very glad if you can give me some information as to the authenticity of this article. We understood that an ex-Governor of S. Thome who was



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**Bourville,**  
NEAR **BIRMINGHAM.**


September 26th.1910

Mr. da Silva.

recalled after a few weeks was to write his experiences;  
this has not, I believe, been published. It is important  
I think now that evidence should be first-hand when  
there are so many individuals who are able to speak  
and willing to do so.


An early reply will much oblige. Also kindly  
return the original paper.

Yours truly,



P.S. I hear good reports of your son. I hope he  
will be able to come and see us for a Sunday soon.





**BourNVILLE,**  
NEAR **BIRMINGHAM.**

September 27th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I have today a letter from a gentleman in S. Thomé who we met when there and at whose hands we received some kindness, and he tells me that he despairs of any improvement in the islands so long as three or four big men have the supreme control of affairs there and can influence the action of the Government. I am absolutely sure that there are many others in S. Thomé who are equally dissatisfied, and it is to these that I think you must look for help to change the present state of things. There must be many honest men in Portugal who have had experience in the islands who would readily support Couceiro's simple and moderate demand for reform - since then you have the ex-governor who was sent back because he tried to introduce reform, and the number must be growing daily.

People in England feel helpless to do anything further, as having taken the step of boycott it is not easy to appeal to reason at the same time.

I have heard little or nothing from you lately on this subject, but assure you that if it is in our power



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**BOURNVILLE,**  
NEAR **BIRMINGHAM.**

September 27th.1910

Mr. da Silva.

at any time to strengthen your hands we shall be glad to do so.

We cannot be satisfied with things drifting on as they are, and a handful of rich men controlling the whole colonial policy in S. Thome. This in my correspondent's view is exactly the present position. Our Anti-Slavery Society badly wants advice as to the line that can best be taken; can you from your end give us the advice we so much need? - I think there is latent energy if we can turn it in the right direction.

Yours truly,

*W. C. Caddy*



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*Si. Alfredo da Silva  
Rua da Rainha 105*



*Oporto*





W. A. Cadbury,

Wast Hills, King's Norton.

Many thanks for your  
further letter 19 Oct -

I congratulate you on  
the appointment of the  
new J. Thom's curador.

The resolution of the  
Cabinet with regard to  
their African policy is not  
so clear a statement as  
what you have already sent  
me, but I have no doubt  
they mean business.

I deeply regret the loss of the  
"~~Africa~~" "Lisbon" passengers.



WEST HILLS,  
KING'S NORTON.

X. 12 - 1910

Dear Mr. da Silva

This evening I  
have you wire to say  
that the Republican  
Government means  
to institute real reforms  
in Angola and the islands  
at least I sincerely hope  
that it means <sup>in</sup> Angola  
too. You know how  
heartily we all welcome  
this news —



We all wish well to the new Republic and only  
hope most sincerely that the men in office will  
have the courage of their convictions and be able  
to carry them out.

One of the first reforms needed is the proper payment  
of government officers at home and in the colonies:  
and when they have done that, they can demand a  
much higher standard of national honour than  
ever in the past.

We shall write a letter to the new minister of  
Marine Colonies, saying that we have your  
message and that he & his government have our  
very good will in the arduous duties to which



They have set their hands.  
I am going to Ireland  
for 2 weeks: if you  
think later on that I  
could do any service to  
your Government in  
coming to hisbon, I  
would of course wish  
to do so: but I fancy it  
will be some months  
before home affairs  
have settled down and  
then Colonial reform  
must follow — I



WEST HILLS,

KING'S NORTON.

hope however in the  
meantime that a  
strong and independent  
Commission may go  
out to the Colonies and  
get to the root of the  
matter, in the many  
hidden corners of the  
Island and away among  
the natives of the Aupōka  
hinterland. (Not Boa  
Eutāda and Aqua Ize,  
of which we know enough!)



Goodbye my friend and many congratulations on  
your stand for liberty: you have had a share in  
framing this new policy. Perhaps they will send  
you out on the commission!

Luz is well, and goes to Manchester.

My wife sends kindest regards

I am yours truly

William A. Cadbury

Alfredo da Silva

X. 12. 1910.



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Dun da Silva

You are a brick  
to take all the trouble  
in his bow but I am  
sure it has been  
splendid work.

I should like to have  
stated that your cable  
was authorized by the  
Colonial Minister  
but suppose I had



not that authority when I sent it to the  
press. I think it possible that our Foreign  
Minister may ask for some definite state-  
ment on the slavery question before he agrees  
to recognize the Republic but I understand  
from what you say that there would be much  
trouble about that.

I am very pleased to see what you say about  
Fidelis - the Economista is a most plucky  
little paper. All good wishes

Jr. D. Ladd



The English Anti Slavery  
Society would be very  
pleased if you establish  
a branch, and no doubt  
you could help them  
very much on their  
P. policy.

We are here for a week's holiday

Oct. 19 - 1910

~~BRIMINGHAM~~  
12, ST. HARRIS ROAD



Delaced. X. 23 - 1910

Dear Mr. das Silon,

Thanks for your  
further letter of October  
16. I am not quite  
sure what is the

"promised letter" that  
you refer to, but I  
hope it has duly  
come.

I am very pleased to



notice of Rego's book and shall be glad  
to see the book itself later.

The consul (British) at Louanda tells me  
that a very great change was taking place  
there before the Republic, so I hope that  
the new government will not have a very  
difficult job in making the great change  
we all wish to see.

I think you have done excellently in  
Lisbon and should be very pleased to  
pay a sum towards your expenses if  
you will allow me to do so, and till



me how much, for  
I feel it has been  
good work.

Very truly yours  
W. A. Ladd

or by

W. A. Ladd

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Like the face of the  
new minister of marine  
in the illustration  
that you send me



**Bournville,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

October 28th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am much obliged for your letter of three sheets: it is however evident that one sheet at least (possibly more) has been omitted by you, and there is no date on the three sheets.

I am very pleased to hear that you have been successful in getting together some men who are actively interested in the slavery question, and hope you may have every success with this new organisation.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W. Cadbury.*



**BourNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

November 2nd. 1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

The Anti-Slavery people of London tell us that they are organising a deputation to Lisbon, and I am very pleased to hear that Burt is likely to accompany them. Mr. Harris sends me a copy of his letter to you of November 1st. From this it is very evident that he little realises how intensely you are already interested in the subject, and how much work you have done on your own account to inspire your own fellow-citizens with interest in this matter. You know all the Portuguese that I know and a vast circle beyond, and therefore the suggestion of the last paragraph is humorous, and I am sure you also know how anxious I am that the work should be a truly Portuguese effort, and not merely an echo of the opinions of myself or any other Englishman.

I am quite sure that your help to the Anti-Slavery deputation will be most valuable if you are able to give it, and they will be deeply indebted to you in any case for any assistance you feel it right to render.

With very kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W. C. C. C.*



WEST HILLS,  
KING'S NORTON.

VI. 5. 10

Dear Mr. de Silva

I had your wire  
tonight. The Anti-  
Slavery people did  
not consult me  
about the deputation  
and merely asked that  
the Cocon firms would  
help with the cost:  
this we agreed to do  
and hoped that



such a visit would be a great assistance to  
the members of the Society. I am very glad that  
Bull is to go with them.

They have a reply from the Colonial Ministers  
to say he will see them, so that fixes the time.  
If you can help them they will be grateful  
though I think they are going to get the Consul  
to translate for them.

About the other matter — meeting some people  
interested in the subject — you alone can  
tell if this is suitable or not: I wish they  
could stay to call personally on some



of these. I am not  
so sure that they <sup>(your friends)</sup> will  
care to come, off hand,  
"to a lunch at a big  
hotel" without even  
knowing their hosts  
personally. I know  
you are a brick & will  
I help them all you  
can but I wish they  
had the courtesy  
to consult you on  
the whole matter



WEST HILLS,  
KING'S NORTON.

in the first place.

It is very kind of you  
to wish me to come,  
but I am not a mem-  
ber of their Committee,  
and they do not all  
believe in me & my  
methods.

I think someday I  
should like to come  
alone with my wife  
or perhaps with Mr.

PRIVATE



more of the African Mail who is deeply interested  
in the subject. I met Mackie the consul  
from Louanda this week. He tells me that  
during this year no services have been  
shipped from Angola to the islands. If this  
is fact I hope we may be able to say so in  
public & with authority. I am sure your  
new Gov. will not forget that there has been  
the same or worse slavery on the mainland  
of Angola: that is a thing that our English  
society is not likely to bother its head about.  
You can justly ask the Anti Slavery people to



pay all your expenses,  
though if you feel you  
would prefer to be quite  
independant of them  
in this way, you are  
equally at liberty to  
charge everything to  
me. I want to  
know how much is  
due to you from me  
now. Very kind regards

Yours

W. A. Cadbury.



I find that they only  
propose to stay 2 days  
which is of course a  
ridiculous time if  
they want to study the  
question carefully.



**BourNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

November 7th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Many thanks for yours, and the first sheet of the letter that came the other day.

I am sorry you have not found any people directly connected with S. Thomé to join your interests; Ezekiel de Campos, Casa Levy, S. Thomé, is for the moment the only man I know who is an out-spoken critic of the whole system in S. Thomé. There are many others, including managers, who are prepared to say that they think a great deal needs altering, but I do not know if they would be likely to say so as publicly in Lisbon: I had hoped that Campos was coming home before this time.

I will ask the Anti-Slavery people in London to send you their rules and reports.

Thank you for the chart drawn up by Raposo. I think it is very important that as much as possible should be made of the question of the unhealthy conditions on some of the estates, and that the Government should undertake to see that healthy people from Mozambique or Angola, or any other part, are not sent to such properties - I myself consider that the estates where sleeping sickness exists



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**Bournville,**  
NEAR **BIRMINGHAM.**

November 7th.1910

Mr. da Silva.

ought to be closed if necessary.

I cannot quite understand the chart; the various columns give the number of children born per year, and the last column apparently is the number of children alive in 1908. If this is so it includes every child born, as I see that the total figure in the last column is an exact addition of the rest of the columns. Until I have an explanation of this I am afraid it will mean nothing to me.

Your son has come back from Manchester where I think he has had a very useful time; I think perhaps he will be glad of the quieter life at Bournville for a little time now and to get on with his studies.

I have much pleasure in sending £20, and am very glad to have this personal share in your good work.

Yours truly,

*W. Labing*



**BOURNVILLE,**  
**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

November 12th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Thanks for your two notes; I am glad to think you will be helping the deputation over the next few days, and you will not get this until your return to Oporto: I sincerely hope the result of the visit will be good.

The remarks you make at the end of the letter as to English interference must be certainly extremely annoying and quite unreasonable.

With very kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W A Cadbury*



BOURNVILLE,  
NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

November 18th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I have tried to understand the chart herewith, together with your explanation. I think however the writer has omitted a column showing the number of children living in 1908: according to the chart all the children born during the years 1895 to 1908 are living in the last named year. I therefore cannot tell how many children reach the age of 14 years.

I am sorry to trouble you in the matter, but think you would like to see the chart again.

Yours truly,

W. A. Cadbury.

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**B**OURNVILLE,

NEAR **B**IRMINGHAM.

November 18th. 1910.

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Many thanks for your note, and all the personal trouble you have gone to in helping the deputation. It is evident that you have been largely responsible for the success of their efforts, though I am amused to see the report in an English paper this morning of the establishment of a Portuguese Anti-Slavery Society, as if alone they had done it - still in all these matters the people who do the quiet work are very often best out of sight, and it matters very little if the end is gained.

I feel as much as anything that the deputation will have learned a good deal from coming to Portugal, and see things perhaps in a somewhat different light. Mr. Harris is interested in so many subjects that he cannot be expected to have absorbed the whole situation, but I think he will learn a good deal from his intercourse with you all.

I will gladly look at the chart again that you sent to me, and follow your instructions, and no doubt shall understand about the children.



**BourNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

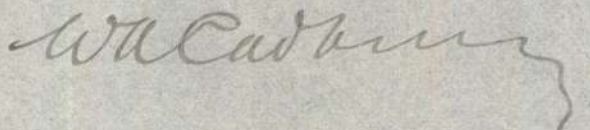
November 18th. 1910.

Mr. da Silva.

It would be impossible for me to come with Mrs. Cadbury just now, and in addition to this I should like to come on some future occasion when there was quiet time to look carefully into the subject, without the accessories of banquets and gala performances at the theatre!

With very kind regards and again the best thanks of

Yours truly,



P.S. Thank you for newspaper cuttings, which will be of interest.



**B**OURNVILLE,

NEAR **B**IRMINGHAM.

November 21st. 1910.

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I have your long letter, and am very sorry indeed that you feel you have not been treated fairly by the English deputation. You marked the letter 'strictly confidential' so that I should not be in order in speaking to anyone about it here. You know that you have my most sincere confidence, and I do not think it is any good in this world expecting to please everybody, but I hope it will make no difference whatever to your continued and quiet work.

We have had a very pleasant visit from Luiz at West Hills, walking round on Saturday by Wood Norton; he is quite well, but I think it does him good to get out for a little change sometimes: we are hoping he will come and stay with us at Christmas - the children are fond of him, and he seems to be very much at home.

With very kind regards,

I am,

Yours always

*W. A. C. C. C.*



**Bournville,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

November 30th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Many thanks for your note of November 26th. which arrived here in Birmingham on Wednesday, the 30th; it was therefore too late to reply by wire as you requested.

I have much pleasure in sending a little note enclosed to you on behalf of the Society.

Thank you also for the chart and further explanation, which makes everything now quite clear: it certainly is a dreadful record, and confirms my opinion that affairs in Principe are very much worse than in S. Thome, and I think that it is the definite duty of the Government to close the sleeping sickness estates at once, if they cannot prove that their commission sent out three years ago has entirely altered the disgraceful state of things. I hope this is a matter that will have very early attention.

I am glad to think that Luiz writes you full news of his doings; I think he seems getting on very well.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W. C. C. C.*



BOURNVILLE,  
NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

December 5th.1910.

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I am much obliged for your note of November 30th., and interested to hear about the meeting. I think it is not unreasonable that your Anti-Slavery Society should look at English procedure, and I hope they will find that in practice at least the law is honestly carried out - that there is room for improvement in some directions I am well aware.

I shall be interested to hear of your visit to the new Governor General.

Yours truly,

*W. C. C. C.*



NATL TELEPHONE  
531 TILBURY.

DUVALS,

GRAYS, ESSEX.

Decr 10.1909

Senhor Da Silva

Oporto

Dear Sir,

I am desired by my friend Mr Barrow Cadbury to inform you of the steps that have been taken by the Antislavery Committee of the Society of Friends, of which I am the Honorary Secretary, to ~~inform~~ combat the state of Slavery which has for some time existed in British East Africa and the Islands of Zanzibar and Pemba, which after long continuance of the agitation and constant pressure on our own Foreign Office, has at last resulted in the complete and unconditional Emancipation of all slaves under British Rule.

The movement begun some 14 years ago, when we at that time realised that owing to the exchange of Territory between the English and German Governments we had in that way and by a side wind as it were, been brought into the odium of being a State not free from the stain and the shame of holding property in our fellow man. I desire to point out to you that this had taken place in spite of the exceedingly drastic terms of the Emancipation Act of 1838, which at that time was passed by both Houses of Parliament, and became the standing law of the land, as it is also today. The terms of the said Act were as follows:-

" That from the first day of August 1838 all and every, the persons hitherto held in Slavery within any British Colony shall be to all intents and purposes free and discharged of and from all manner of slavery, and shall be absolutely and for ever manumitted,



and that the children to be born of such persons, and the offspring of such children, shall in like manner be free from their birth, and that from and after the 1st of August, Slavery shall be, and is hereby, utterly and for ever abolished throughout the British Colonies, Plantations and Possessions. "

Anything more comprehensive than these noble words it would be impossible to conceive, notwithstanding which, as already mentioned, slavery had once again obtained foothold in British Dominions.

I have been engaged for more than 14 years in the effort to secure anew complete Emancipation for all the slaves held in that portion of British East Africa, where the condition of slavery had remained. My Committee began by first holding meetings in various Towns in England and Ireland, as well as some in the Metropolis, the result of which was the issue by the late Lord Salisbury, then our Foreign Minister, of the futile Decree of April 1897. It had small result because it threw on the slave the onus of acquiring his freedom. We soon found that Decree to be ineffective, and therefore renewed pressure on the Foreign Office, which had been successively represented, by Mr Curzon, now Lord Curzon (late Governor General of India) then by Mr Broderick (now Lord Middleton) and at a later date by the present Holder of that Office Sir Edward Grey. We have had repeated interviews by means of Deputations, and have never ceased by such means and also by continued correspondence with the Foreign Office to urge our demands upon it. Finally in June of the present year, we have obtained the issue of a Decree that gives complete and unconditional Emancipation, and we now rest content with the result of our long protracted labours. Any further information that you may want I shall be happy to furnish you with.

Yours very truly

*E. N. Brooks.*



BOURNVILLE,  
NEAR BIRMINGHAM.

December 13th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

Many thanks for yours of December 9th.  
I am very glad to hear that you still are giving  
active work to the new Society, as I know they  
have the power to do a great deal of good. I am  
glad to hear Couceiro is working with you.

With very best wishes,

I am,

Yours truly,

*Wladimir*



**BOURNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

December 20th.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

I understand that Couceiro has been sent out at the head of an expedition of enquiry to S. Thome and Principe, and possibly to the mainland. Will you kindly tell me if this is the fact, who accompanies him on the commission, and by whom they are sent?

I should be very pleased to have definite information of this kind from time to time.

Yours truly,

*W. A. Casbury*



**BourNVILLE,**

**NEAR BIRMINGHAM.**

December 23rd.1910

Dear Mr. da Silva,

We have the enclosed from F. Verbeeck, Brussels, and cannot doubt its general veracity. We hope you may be successful in placing such matters before the influential committee of your Society, and that Paiva Couceiro, or any other commission, will insist in going to the root of the evil at S. Thome, and not be content with a stay in the manager's house, as we as strangers were obliged to be.

With kind regards,

Yours truly,

*W. C. C. C.*