

Victoria, Bc

13 Dec 00

Dear Frances,

I am so glad there is an oculist who could come to test your eyes.

It sounds like an excellent idea.

Christmas gets nearer & nearer & all sorts of things haven't been done yet.

Visiting or phoning people locally is really nicer than sending a card (both would be nicest!) & it all takes time.

Last night we had the most terrible storm & winds gusting till the windows nearly blew in. I had just

been given some beautiful holly & had it sitting in a bucket on my patio. In the morning it was all gone! I have one more date

with the Presbyterians to ring

handbells, & am spending

Christmas Day festivities with

Maria, & Mark & Leone plus

the two children & another friend.
We will all bring stuff to the
party - but I must confess I'm glad
it's not me that has to mastermind
the whole operation.

I haven't yet heard how Joan's
eye operation went off, & pray it
was successful. They will have to
live quietly for a bit while she
recovers & gets new glasses, & that
will be a struggle for them!

I do hope the Lady Nubfield is
warm & cosy. Here we have very
cold weather, but so far are spared
snow & ice in Victoria.

Merry Christmas & good
wishes to Jane