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My dear Pippa

I am still living  
at Chanch but expect I shall  
move off to Churulia in a week  
or so, as soon as the rains  
break. They have not actually  
arrived yet but there have  
been storms and one or two  
small floods in the river &  
the end is drawing nigh.

I was in Asansol too

days last week looking after Topori and stayed with the Stones. I think they are rather nice. He is extremely neat and methodical; his office is a sight to behold. Shelves round the room and all his papers carefully arrayed on them in nice little packets each with a nice little paper weight <sup>put</sup> exactly in the middle and a label underneath to describe it. The chief trait

yet observed in Mr. S's character is that she has got white eyes and squeals when she plays lawn tennis.

Myself and I are in a great state of fuss as we are giving a burra khana to the coalheavers of Barakau and their wives on the occasion of our leaving the district. So please excuse a disjointed letter  
Yr<sup>s</sup> <sup>being brother</sup> ~~incidentally~~  
Ralph