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My dear Pippa,

I am very sorry for  
not having written last week, but I  
went up to Ferukhabad to see Scott  
on his survey and didnt remember  
it was mail day till too late. I  
dont enjoy the wretched critters in  
tents at this time of year - it is  
bad enough in a house with two

rooves?  
roofs

Ferukhabad is rather an  
interesting place with a wonderful  
Acropolis built by Ferukh I. from  
which you get a splendid view of the  
country round. Close to Ferukhabad  
is Fatchepore the civil station where  
there is a detachment of the H.L.I.

who are now stationed at Caurpore  
Frank? Murray who is in that regt  
is at Fatchpore & asked kindly  
after the family especially Dorothy  
whose complete mastery of the Greek  
Tongue has filled his soul with  
awe ever since the day when  
he took up his <sup>Sanskrit</sup> ~~Worth~~ exam  
paper and calmly translated it  
on sight. You may return  
the kind complement to his sisters  
from me if you see them -

I am not at all sure about  
taking furlough this year after  
all, I think it would perhaps be  
better to put it off for a year if  
I can get the Gya Bridge / I am  
rather off the Some B. because

although extremely long there is nothing  
particularly exciting about it, in fact  
just the other way, ~~is~~ 200 fifty foot  
spans all exactly the same would begin  
to pall after a bit. The Gya B.  
will have peculiar foundations and  
be built in rather an unusual way  
for India moreover it is quite a  
small bridge and wont take more  
than a year to build - I told  
Stone I would like to have it &  
he said he would ask Robertson  
but I havent heard from him yet.  
If I cant get Gya Ill get home.

I have had a slight go of fever  
the last 3 days - not much - only  
the beginning of the hot weather. I am  
now convalescent as is proved by  
the fact that I am smoking wh.

I cant when seedy. This is a  
sure test.

Have you seen the terrific  
portrait of the new editor of  
the Cornhill in Black and white?

Love to the family

Yours

Ralph

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