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Delhi Bridge

Bengal

17th May '98

My dear Pippa

Oliver departed
for Calcutta on Thursday
leaving behind his sponge
and soap box and removing
a pair of my tr-ws. rs in
exchange. The wind sus-
ters are still in full force.
The latest joke is to collect
quartz pebbles from the river
and say they are diamonds
worth from 20/ to 50/ rupees
each. All the best ones are

given to Birdie, who sees through the game, which produces the most hideous exhibitions of spiteful jealousy in the two who have to be content with those of inferior quality. One day some large grains of crystallized sugar were mixed up with a handful of pebbles, and these were seized upon with cries of joy and are going to be sent to Calcutta for valuation. It is supposed that they are

worth at least 80/ rupees each.

Scott sends you the following message telegram

Süher Gany wohl grüßen alle.

Palmer says how we shant be long, meaning that he is going home in June when I hope he will learn (1) how to repeat the phrase (2) To put the accent in the right place.

Alf. and Birdie are going on nicely thankyou

Nicholl has got a beautiful

case of atrophy of the
epiglottis.

The twins really can't think
of anything to say

And I send you my love.

Yr. loving brother

Ralph

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