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My dear Pippa

Not much information this week - Stone duly arrived and repeated what he had written to me but could not say anything for certain till he had seen people in Calcutta which he has not had much time to do yet on account of the Poojah holidays being only just over. He said however that if construction

work was knocked on
the head it would be
all night about my leave.
A special car would be
drawn up or he thought
there would be no diffi-
culty. So all we can
do for the present is
to watch and pray.

Madame Stone came through
too - She is rather nice
and takes immense pains
to be affable to the young
men of the Engineering staff.

The affability is interweaved
with a sort of superior
Sinnah manner which is
rather amusing.

Stone's ~~carriage~~ came from
M.G.S. and departed via Gaya
his carriage being the first
across the Gorge this year.

We have got into the river
about 2 months before we
expected to and I reckon
the bridge will be ready
for traffic by the beginning
of February - 15 feet well
sinking has been done out
of 90 left and when the

well sinking is finished it
is all straight forward
work and we shall be
able to say accurately
when the bridge will be
ready.

It is quite decently
cool now and though
punkahs are still in
vogue they are hardly
wanted and will soon
be torn down with cheers

Farewell
Adieu

Wth loving brother

Ralph