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My dear Husband.

I had your postcard yesterday, and glad I am to know that you were right as far as Cedar. It is most vexatious that that letter to Parindian should have misfolded you, but I hope it will be sent on to Cedarland. I had a long letter from Mrs Waterfield last week. She and Mrs Waterfield were in London, where she had gone to consult a doctor and a dentist. It is probable that she will see the doctor. I also had a letter from Mrs Wade, they are going to spend the winter in Sagway. Our great event this week has been the fixings of the bath, and the gas fire in my little room. The children are delighted with their bath and the weather is so strangely mild just now, that they can enjoy it to the full. In winter I have a moveable bath and they have it in their bedroom over a seat, by the fire. My little gas & asbestos fire is a great success. When you come home for good we must have one in your bedroom. You just turn on the gas as you want it and there is a clear red fire in two minutes, with no trouble or dust. There is no smoke - some small cinders as all is carried up the chimney. Lillian and Mabel have been to tea with their aunt

Catherine this afternoon, and then I  
went in to fetch them & acted me to  
thank you for the information about  
Cologne Cathedral. My little book  
Kussia's Flour bin, seems to be getting  
on well. 1200 copies were sold in the  
first week. I have seen two nice notices  
of it, which Macmillan has sent me.  
I am very anxious to hear how you  
settled down to your work in Allahabad.  
I hope you are able to occupy yourself  
in it, and that Mr. Kusa will soon  
be back again for his companionship  
is a strong trait. Did I tell you Miss  
Robinson has decided to take the  
children to Lajpore, where living is  
cheaper than in England. From the  
lists of prices which Mrs. Kusa sent  
me, I do not think things are remark-  
ably dear in perspective, though the  
fees for education are £s. Our  
longold expenses are less than  
Mrs. Stee children (ours) seem  
very happy in their school life etc.  
They seem to take a real interest in  
their lessons. It is very different  
from the state of things under-

Miss Bytes and Miss Williams. I hope  
the arrangement will be perma-  
nent. My only fear is about Miss  
Stute's health, but she has kept up  
very well so far. You would not find  
much to attract you in the garden  
just now. It does look so miserable  
and untidy with all the fallen leaves  
about. I have been planting ferns  
and ox-drop bulbs, which will  
make a pretty appearance next  
spring. I had a letter from Alletta  
this morning. There is to be a fancy  
ball in Nottingham in connection  
with the Social Guild Bazaar, and  
Mary is to go as Madam. It will suit  
her very well. I don't know whether  
Alletta is going. We do not hear any-  
thing from Frank. I sent him word  
of your letters and I will write to  
him when I hear of your safe  
landing. I do hope the Petersons  
will be in Bombay when you ar-  
rive. It will be a little relief to have  
someone to give you a welcome. I  
wish I could see them all again.  
Remember me to Mrs. Dalley. Has

she got the Parsonage stairs covered  
with the retoune which I sent out,  
and was she pleased with the spoor  
dresses &c. And what did the bearer  
say to his little doct. I wish you could  
see in mine I have made that bath  
room look. I have lined the walls  
with striped green calico, and  
covered the floor with oil cloth.  
I wish it had been done when you  
were here, for you would find  
a bath such a comfort. However  
I hope you will spend some happy  
months here, when you come home  
for good, before you go to a fresh  
place of duty. Colletta says Dr  
Statham is staying at Jervis. I  
should like to see him again.  
Remember me to my remem-  
bering friends in Allahabad. I do  
not suppose I know that I have made  
very deep tracks in the dusty high-  
ways, mental & spiritual of that  
place. I have been writing to Miss  
Woodroffe today.  
Ever your loving &c.