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My dear Pippa

I was really much more  
sorry than pleased to hear how right I was about  
you conditions.  
Do you believe that? I hope so. Do please  
get a little better soon so that I may come &  
see you. Parnell sternly interposed yesterday tho'  
Ray had held out hopes. Do you think by  
Friday night you'll let me come. If so do tell  
me somehow because I have to go down to  
Guilford with the Bernard Shaws that day  
to try & let Darius to them. { if I might  
come & see you I'd come back.

I've been at Cambridge with Goldie, painting  
a rather dull official kind of portrait a very  
poor likeness - shall I become a successful  
portrait painter after all? And will you catch  
me when I'm here?

We more or less left Guildford to Joan for  
the present and shall be off (as in town  
So we shall need as soon as you can get up.  
Really my dear Pippa this letter's atrocious, it  
won't amuse you (yet it's it sound as tho'  
I want to honestly <sup>say</sup> that you're in such  
pain (very disgusted that I mayn't come  
& look after you & I really am such a  
good nurse. I don't say you oughtn't to write  
at all. But please get a message by  
telephone to the Omega to tell me how  
you are & when there's a chance to see  
you.

Yrs. Roger.

Yrs. poem was very wonderful - even  
with the clue it's hideously difficult  
& I'm half forgotten the clue & can't  
recall it from the poem. so I really  
think you must be a great poet  
Horn Mallamé!