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FERNHURST,  
HASLEMERE.

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Sunday.

My dear Pippa

I have written to  
her Ladyship - I trust  
there will be no dis-  
approval of our plans,  
which seem <sup>to me</sup>, after careful  
thought, to be both  
reasonable and pleasant -

I am aware that there  
may be an outcry in  
some circles against my  
living on Ray's money,  
but propose to disregard  
it if such nonsense  
appears. Or would they  
have preferred the alter-  
native of Ray's going  
to India with me? - which

she would not have done -

I don't suppose ~~her~~  
will ~~even~~ take such a  
view, but I don't feel  
quite certain where she  
may come out, & only  
hope you will exert  
a calming influence if  
she does come out anywhere.  
And if you come out  
anywhere, I am always  
open to reason -

Your affec

Oliver

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