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Arabah. Feb 8th 1935.

Dear Mother

I think your idea of a divan bed for my room is splendid & I would simply love it. I was thinking of re-distempering the room this summer & re fixing the bed curtains, & this, with a divan bed would be simply perfect.

I have been doing the Eve stunt.

I sent Omdah Faiz a big basket of the finest apples that could be got in Sohag as a return for his oranges. Little Mahmud was my ambassador & returned simply dithering with excitement, he had had the day of his life. he had been received by the Omdah & offered *[?] a chair to sit on in his presence, he had been refreshed with relays of coffee, the Omdah had called him "my child" (M. is about 30) & as a final honour had himself accompanied him a short distance through the village when he left. Little Mahmuds^{sic} comments were amusing he said. The Omdah of our village treats me like dirt because he has to make people see

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I have received the receipt for my Income Tax I asked to have it sent here, & asked them to kindly note my correct address in England.

Amice has got a new worry. She finds she has underestimated the cost of the larger staff. especially the food supplies, she had reckoned that six people would eat twice as much as three, & allowed a little more as Otto is a bigger man than "Little un". but as it works out. the two Austrians eat as much as the four English. & they dont^{sic} reckon a meal as a meal at all, unless they have huge helpings of meat. when we have chickens Erica & Otto have one between them. we four others share the remaining chicken. They are Catholics so

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we naturally thought they would like our arrangement of having just vegetables & eggs or bread & butter & cheese <on Fridays> but not a bit of it. as fish is not procurable they dont^{sic} consider it necessary to fast at all, so the Catholic's sic eat huge meals of meat on Friday, & the Protestants prefer the humble bread & cheese or Amice has egg & salad: rather funny dont^{sic} you think, but of course it is rather worrying for Amice as she had promised that the costs of this years sic expedition should not exceed a certain amount. I think she is going to refund a months^{sic} salary to make up the difference as she finds she is unable to do anything like the usual output of work with so many to coach. it will be all we can do to finish Volume III this season & she had reckoned on having some of the colour plates ready for Vol 4.

You will probably receive my copy of Vol II soon I have asked for it to be sent on as I thought you would enjoy looking at it. I enclose a copy of Rockerfeller's remarks about it. I thought we might keep it with the book.

> Lots of love to you both Your affectionate daughter Myrtle.