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Many thanks to both Father & Pat for their letters I seem to have been in luck's way lately.

To-day being our day off. I went down to the village again in the morning & did two sketches, one in Semman's house, & one in young Ahmud's, I am getting quite a collection of their curious interiors.

One day after lunch I went up on to the roof of the temple & made a little birds eye view of the village from there, I had little Mahmud to hold the sunshade over me & brush the flies away

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We think the little lady dog belonging to the guard is sickening for distemper. she looks very miserable & will not eat. Amice gave her a dose of caster oil & we hope it will do her good

There seems to be very little news to tell you this week.

Lots of love to you both Your affectionate daughter Myrtle.