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On my way back I had lunch in a garden under the shade of lemon trees in bloom, this was a different garden to the one I usually visit as we had returned by another road. of course I had to drink coffee with the owner of the garden & say the usual polite things. I got home about tea time feeling rather tired & worn about the sitting parts, as it was my first camel ride this season, & the day was rather warm.

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I hear you have been having a gay time at the Pictures. I wish I could have seen the Ghost goes West it sounds gorgeous. I hope you saw one of Walt Disney's Silly Symphonies they really <are> splendid.

Mother tells me you are tearing up bits of the garden again, if you are making any major alterations you had better put "Here it is" on the gate so that I may know my home when I return.

Lots of love to you & Mother Your affectionate daughter Myrtle.

P.S I expect Mann Egerton will come for Lady G\_\_\_ on April 1st.