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attempt them aloud. Sardic handed me the finished drawings as I wanted them & I explained the work & methods to the students. The Chief of Police & the Inspector & all the guards were there so I had a good audience. The explainations^{sic} were in English of course. Miss Calverley will be very sorry to have missed Prof Newberry's visit, but I know she will be delighted to hear what he said about both our drawings.

She will arrive tomorrow morning by the night train from Cairo. I shall be awfully glad to see her, it is a little bit lonely working all alone. but I have really managed very well on my own. Nannie is such a dear & all the servants are simply splendid. Fancy that friend of Agnes Broome's saying she could not endure the natives. I expect she was remarkably prim & narrow minded: these people do not show their best side to everyone. but once gain their liking & their respect & there is nothing they will not do for you. Unfortunately tourists only see the very worst type of native – those who have been spoilt by too much contact with all sorts of Europeans

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To know the people you must live with them, take an interest in all their affairs, be sympathetic & friendly but not familiar. they are very proud themselves & they respect pride in others. it is a great mistake to be too free & easy. In the village near the temple two English women were stoned <some years ago> because the people considered their behaviour improper. Our servants have a great contempt for tourists. one day I was leaving my drawing things loose on my scaffold as usual to go & have lunch, & Mahmud came up & began to collect them all & put them away. I told him I should need them after lunch. he said "They shall be here when the Excellent Lady requires them, but it is not good to leave them now because Cook's people are coming & they are not nice" I was very amused, & certainly I agree with him some of Cooks^{sic} people are not nice. specially the Americans & the Jews. Their manners & their clothes pass description, but one does see a number of very nice people also. but they usually come in small party/<i>es.

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I had a woman with a bitten arm to attend to yesterday. a savage dog had siezed^{sic} her just below the elbow. fortunately she had the sense to come here at once. Nannie heated some water & we bathed it well with hot Lysol & I painted all the tooth marks with iodine & bandaged it up. I hope it will be all right.

A day or two ago there was a great fuss in the temple & one of the men came to tell me Ahmud Abu Bekku, one of the guards had cut his hand on some glass. as luck would have it I had my tin of homocea in my pocket as I had a little sore on my lip from my cold. so I got some rags that

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Lots of love to you both, as well as the afore mentioned blessings Your affectionate daughter Myrtle.