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Happy <u>New Year</u>. [1st January 1928]

Dear Mother & Father.

I am staying here on my way to Cairo. the Officer here sent his servant & an armed guard to meet me at the station. & bring h me here, he is going to see me safely on my way to Cairo to-morrow, I am staying in a real Arabic house. learning how to eat in the Arabic way but I can not use my fingers as deftly as they can. I wish you could see this little desert outpost & I am sure you would like to meet my host. you will remember I told you about El Gerzawy who was so kind to us when we were in camp near here. he is the officer in

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Kau-el Kebir.

[Almost certainly this is the mislaid letter Broome refers to in letter 11, page 2 recto.]

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charge, & is looking after me & making me very much at home. I have told him that I hope he will visit us if ever he comes to England.

When I get to Cairo I shall go to Cooks to make arrangements about my return. they are reserving a berth for me on a boat returning from Japan which reaches Port Said Fe[?]/<J>an 10th & reaches London in 13 days calling at Naples, Marseilles & Gibralta^{sic}. I am so sorry to leave Egypt. I have had more experiences during these two months than ever before and I am glad I did not come by one of the regular tours. for then I should never have had

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the chance of meeting & knowing the people & learning something of their life & ways. I have bought Father an Arabic fiddle. it is not a thing that one can get in shops. for each man makes his own. M^r Meade at the Thebes Hotel Luxor. hearing your interest in instruments, offered to try & get me one & sent a native servant round the cafés & he was fortunate in finding a strolling player who was willing to sell his instrument of course it is a very primitive thing – only one string, but the sound is very sweet & clear I can just get it in my trunk so I hope to get it home safely.

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My Cairo address is. Cecil House Sharia Naser-el-Din N° 2 but by the time you receive this it will be too late to send a letter to reach me, I will enquire at Cooks about letters to the boat.

As I write the birds are flying in and out of the room. they nest in the beams in the ceiling & are very tame.

I will write you a longer letter when I get to Cairo. there is an unfinished one in my trunk that has gone on in advance I intended to finish it here, & post it, as I thought you might like to receive a letter from such a very romantic place. but I find I have not got it in my case here so have started another.

Please give all my friends New Year greetings. Your loving daughter Myrtle.