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Last Saturday we all had lunch in the new wing, by way of house warming, so we feel it ought to be really habitable now, & Otto has taken up residence there –

We have had a few tourists in the temple they are earlier than usual this year. We had a visit from Monsieur Lacoe^{sic} {Lacau}, the head of the Service des Antiquitiés, he was very affable & had lunch with us in the temple.

Could Father get me another sheet of the Flour sand paper. you col/<u>ld enclose a portion in each letter as before.

> Love from us both. Your affectionate daughter Myrtle.