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Yesterday we went to see Sheikh Abdu Wahid's family, they are living out in the fields now. in a straw shelter, they had some baby rabbits. I had one to cuddle, such a soft downy thing they were very anxious for us to taste some of the milk & cream from the cows. but we excused ourselves. we said it was our fast day!!! The wheat is turning golden. when it sways in the wind it makes a noise just like the sea. They have gathered the harvest of beans, the grain will come next.

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Our baby chicks still cause us a lot of amusement. they are getting so big that they can get out of their pen. Sardic talks of making a walled enclosure for them. We have had to do some repairs to the house, the white ants had eaten the rafters in the men's room, so we have had to have the roof removed & new beams put in. I think the wall of my room will have to be rebuilt this summer, it is cracking, & the other night the wind nearly blew the window frame out, (or rather in) it was a very disturbed night, the West Wind & the North Wind had a battle in our wady, & the N. Wind won I am glad to say, so it is not quite so hot now.

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Lots of love from both of us. Your affectionate daughter Myrtle.