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Amice & Truda returned Monday evening. I went to the station in Joey to meet them, they had lots of bundles & a huge basket of vegetables we looked like a caravan when we

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Sardic had made a Christmas card & hung it on the wall over the breakfast table. it was written in Arabic, so I had to translate it to every one. it said "A happy feast, a long life & may your honours be prosperous all the year." Was'nt^{sic} it nice of him –

The police officer has just been to wish us a happy Xmas. he is coming to see the Christmas tree this afternoon & to have tea with us, he is much better mannered than the one we had the year before we used to call him the camel fly because he would buzz round & was quite unsquashable, but this one is polite & plassant/<easant> & does not presume at all, so we feel

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Amice has just brought the charms to be wrapped in grease proof paper for the pudding. I wonder who will get what. wont^{sic} it be fun if Otto gets the thimble.

I am writing this in odd moments between putting sweets in bags opening boxes, arranging decorations & receiving salutations etc. as I may not get time later.

> Lots of love to you both. Your affectionate daughter Myrtle.

The English members of the camp enjoy the Observer very much. Amice sends lots of messages. she is much better, the change at Luxor did her good. & the D^r gave her some injections which seem to have been effecatious^{sic} –