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host showed us books of sketches by a relation of his who had been with Lepsius on his travels in Egypt, it was very interesting to compare the difference in the costumes etc of those days Sardic came with us as far as Alexandria & has now reluctantly returned to Arabah el Madfunah. he will remain at the house as guard, but if Amice & I come out on our own for a couple of months next winter we shall have him for a personal servant & one of the others will act as guard in his place

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actual journey in Joey, we may be picking up a friend of Amices^{sic} in Vienna she is going to have an Austrian girl as a sort of house keeper & general help, & will bring her back to England if there is room in Joey.

We are wondering what the company will be like on the g/<G>reek boat, we have both kept our sketching materiels^{sic} handy & hope to find suitable subjects on the voyage. is'nt^{sic} it funny how Amice has taken up sketching, she used to be so scornful about it, but now is quite keen, we are both considering taking lessons in landscape technique when we get back, it is so totally different to the work we have been used to.

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