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Apart from this visitation the temple has been quite deserted, only myself & the servants & the guards. I find it difficult to keep all the staff occupied, the last two days they have been busy putting a new mud face on the E/<S>E side of the house, the sun had rotted the surface of the <wall> so that it cracked & fell away in great patches so they fetched a couple of camel loads of mud, puddled it up with water & a little sand, & after stripping the rest of the old face off the wall refaced it with the new mixture. it has been drying all to-day & to-morrow it will be whitewashed. Sardic & I had a look at all the wood work in the house & found the white ants were busy in some of the beams over the

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window, these will have to be lime washed. I expect Mann Egerton will have been to fetch Lady Godiva. the insurance will be due some time soon. I expect M^r Pearce will send a reminder will Father send on a cheque for it, if if/<t>

April 7th

I have been to Girga to-day. I went to the bank & found there was a new bank manager there, an Englishman. he was delighted to see me, of course he had heard about us so was'nt^{sic} surprised to see an English woman walk in. he is coming to spend Sunday week at Abydos & see the sights & have lunch & tea with me, it will be my last Sunday in camp. I got £8 changed into silver while at the bank so as to have all the tips <ready> that have to be given to the guards, servants etc at end of the season I left Joy/<e>y in charge of the bank porter while I went to do a little shopping I got a length of white silk to make an underskirt for my evening dresses & sewing silk to machine it with

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I have finished the last painting & now I am completing the photographic enlargement that Otto left unfinished I hope to get his portion of that wall finished before I leave

> Lots of love to you & Father & Pat. your affectionate daughter Myrtle.

P.S. Please tell Pat how pleased I was with her letter & thank her for it.