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to look at them. old Ahmud called to them & they came up to him & nuzzled him, it was pretty to see them, there is a new black lamb.

Sardic has had a wonderful costume made for the feast after Ramadan. it is called a guif guftān, it is like a galabia only it opens down the front & it has deep bell sleeves, it is made in stiff cotton backed satin. with blue & white stripes, the edges are bound with braid, it is like an omdah's dress – he will fancy himself when he has got that on.

Ever so many thanks for the pen & the book,

Lots of love to you both Your affectionate daughter Myrtle