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Gresham House Cairo Dec 1st 1930.

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We start off on our journey again to morrow, we have had quite a nice time in Cairo, everyone has been most kind, we have been to tea with the Imp [= Reginald Engelbach] twice & to-day he & Nancy came to lunch with us here, yesterday we dined with the kind D^r Junker, he had prepared a splendid feast for us, & invited the Imp & two other nice people, so it was a jolly party. The evening before we di/<h>ad dinner at. M^{rs} Phillips, the Princess Bessina[?] Fouad & her sister were there, they were very pleasant, but Amice & I found it very dull, not a bit like D^r Junkers' sic the difference between social & archaeological circles was very marked.

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Amice has been fairly well, but gets tired very easily, she has engaged a chauffeur to take Joey to Assiut tomorrow, we are to go there by train, stay the night with some friends there & then the next day drive to Sohag, about 80 miles & spend the night with the Oltons^{sic} {Oultons}, (he is sub consular agent.) & reach our camp the following day.

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I was miserable without my pen so purchased one in Cairo, it has a broad oblique nib & is very easy to write with, it keeps an even flow no matter how fast I write, it was rather expensive, it was 17/6, but they let me have it for 15/– as there wasn't a nib to suit me among the less expensive makes – it is a Swan –

I have bought a big supply of films & opened a deposit a/c with Kodak so hope to have some snaps to send you later on.

I think this is all my news love to you both.

Your affectionate daughter Myrtle –

Give my love to Pat hope she is still enjoying her job we trust Miss Jonas' thumb is better now, & send her greetings.

P.S. When you are in Woolworth's will you look for another pin with an owl on it, Amice has fallen in love with mine & wants one, you can send it sample post.

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