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Allahabad  
July 16<sup>th</sup>

My dear Pippa

This letter is  
going to be short and  
brutal by which I mean  
even more so than usual.  
You will be grieved to  
hear that the great Triple  
Alliance has been dissolved;

as Garston has been ordered to Cawnpore. At the end of the month Oldfield and I will move into a smaller house as the one we are in now is ~~too~~ big for two and also the rightful owners are shortly coming back. We shall have to furnish the new house, the idea being to have begin by getting 1 table

and 3 chairs (one extra for me to throw at O. when he gets particularly annoying.) because at this time of year things are dear.

There was a Synkhana this week which means a sort of private races. There was only one <sup>ordinary</sup> ~~proper~~ race this time, the other things being things like Saddle

cigar & umbrella race, in  
which you have to saddle your  
pony, light a cigar, put  
up an umbrella and make  
for the winning post, when  
your cigar must be alight.

Rather dull as there was no  
band -

Love to everyone

Diagrams

progressing

from your lov<sup>s</sup> bro.

Beat  
Dick and  
make him sit  
down and write  
a 'chit' for his old man.

Ralph  
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