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My dearest Pippa,

What a shocking

letter I wrote you last week; I apologise humbly. I was in such a fuzz that I didn't know what I was writing and then I suddenly heard the second bell ring for dinner.

The Crows were perfectly sweet; they were all exactly as described.

especially Norman & Mrs Croall. Norman  
asked me ~~after~~ during dinner if I  
would go out afterwards and see  
the stables; however he was highly  
snubbed by David & Ethel who said  
I was not to go on any account.

Did you know that Margaret has  
just had another boy; this sounds  
familiar but as I don't know  
her name; pray excuse. Mrs Croall  
is frightened very much by being in  
a great fright herself; ~~but~~ after a  
little time we got on all right.

It was rather painful only being  
there such a very short time; I  
am now trying to go there for a  
long time. They all cared about you  
of course especially David who  
spent the whole of dinner nearly  
in giving me a short epitome  
of your character. Did you write  
to Dizzie? Lily Schlesinger's wedding  
comes off to-morrow; Berthe is one  
of her brides maids & also Hilda  
Kilton.

I am learning a waltz by Chopin.

There are perfect hordes of new girls  
and they all frighten me into fits.  
I am reading ~~of~~ a book by Sudekman  
called "Fau Sorge". Yesterday I washed  
my head and went into the music  
Room to dry it. As the fire was rather  
low we thought we would dry our  
hair by the heat of the lamp. On  
seeing the shade enveloped in our tresses  
Miss Boyce remarked that it was "a lamp  
clothed with maidenhair!" Quaint, wasn't it?

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