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DEHRI BRIDGE,  
SHAHABAD DISTRICT,  
BENGAL.

(49) ? (next after  
postcard)

21<sup>st</sup> June - /99

My dear Pippa

The rains have  
broken and the climate is  
greatly improved - There  
has not been much rain  
here yet, but enough to  
bring a flood down the  
river and clear us out  
of it, and there will not  
be much more work done  
on the bridge this season -  
Green and Charley Palmer

(Jim) having severed themselves from the E.I.R. left last week en route for England via Delhi Madras and Constantinople - I told Green to go around to be chiefly for your benefit as I am sure it will give you intense joy to hear once more the accents of your German-writer fatherland - He is not a bad little creature & his chief recommendation is his admiration of R.S.

Cockshott is also going home

next mail for 3 months and Scott was to have gone with him, but for the last 6 months he has been having about it in the most ludicrous way and his latest final decision is that he cannot be spared - However there is still time for him to change his mind again and I dare say he will brace himself up to tear himself away after all -

No further news from these parts - Did you meet the des Avants

Dutchman in Holland?

I enclose a sad case  
for your decision -

Farewell

Y<sup>r</sup> loving brother

Ralph -

P.S. Have those two curious  
lovers decided to name  
the day? If so do you  
think E.C. would be  
insulted if I sent her a  
W.P.?

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The District Engineer  
M. G. & B. D. Keys.  
(Thru: proper Channel)

Special Case

Sir,

In continuation of <sup>my</sup> report of the 9<sup>th</sup> instant on the frequent disgraceful occurrences in the office and with reference to office order issued on the day following with a noble view to put a stop to such in future, I beg most respectfully to bring to your Goodness's notice the Unruly and insubordinate spirit of Bahu R. N. Seal in bringing a Criminal suit against me in violation of the order referred to above.

On one occasion last week he insulted & abused me before the whole office staff by saying "Rasool, I will kick you out from the office". Two days after he took away an office ruler from the Head Clerk's table and threatened me by brandishing the same and I not <sup>had</sup> previously withdrawn the sanctity of this holy place would surely have been violated.

This took place before the office order passed.

He is furiously malicious of me since an application now pending in your Goodness's basket, was patented in with the Head Clerk's recommendation for Bahu Surendra Nath's place, when ~~it falls to~~ he is confirmed as Head Clerk of the B. D. Key.

As I am a poor man, Sir,  
and can hardly spare any  
thing from my poor pay for  
the purpose of litigation, the  
sole object of which is to harass  
me anyhow, I trust you would  
be graciously pleased to dis-  
pose of the matter any way  
you consider just and  
proper.

I remain  
Sir,

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Haripada Chatterjee

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