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EAST INDIAN RAILWAY HOUSE
CALCUTTA.

12th March 1914

My dearest Pippa

Margaret left in the
P. & O. S.S. Syria on Monday
and is due to arrive at Marseilles
on the 2nd April, so she ought to
be in London on the 3rd or 4th
as she has decided to go overland
partly driven to it by the terror of
arriving on Good Friday which she
would do if she went round by sea.
I hope mamma will be able to join
her in bed, and that you will write
to her at Marseilles of the P & O
Co. Today is the Holi, and
all the Hindus have gone mad and

are merrily about singing and
beating drums and flinging fragments
coloured powder on each other.
I highly approve of it because no
baboo will come to office on this
Holiday (ha ha) and it gives me a
chance to attack the fearsome pile
of papers on my table. What with
Chairmen and Annual Inspectors
I have been away from my office
for something like a month, with
results which you can imagine.
The Off again to Delhi tonight
cursing heartily. The Chairman
has been in a fairly good temper
this time - He told me that the
Board were greatly pleased with
my management of the Engineering

Department, but forgot to give
me an increase of pay.

This is an absolute non-letter but
it is no good trying to write letters
when the telephone is laid on between
Belgaon and Bengal & shall ring
you up once a week

Goodbye my dear

Ever your loving

Ralph

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