

Apr. 12th

Stellack Lodge
Galle Face
Colombo.

my dearest George

I hope you have been getting the weather reports all right - it will be very interesting to hear whether you can trace a connection with our weather & how long afterwards. Since sending you the observatory report yesterday we have had the most terrific storm - gale of wind from S.W. - Torrents of rain & thunder - we had noticed very heavy clouds at the sunset - it looked as if something were approaching, but the storm didn't break till about 1 a.m. last night. It was most violent for nearly three hours so if you get the same you had better be on the look out - I wonder how far you have got now - I do hope you are getting on well & making good time - we were very disappointed not getting up to Sigatolawa last Monday - we were all packed up - everything planned when a wire came from the C.C. postponing the whole move & in a furious temper that he hadn't been told some little minor details that no one thought he would want to know. I believe there were some very heated telegrams between him & our Colonel

but of course it didn't alter things & we
have just had to wait here ~~in~~^{with} the heat &
packed & angry! There is hardly anyone
left down here now, but I believe we really
shall get off on Monday ~~and~~ & am much
looking forward to getting up to the hills & a
cooler atmosphere. Ralph is going off for a
week's shooting on Thursday - he & another
man & they ought to have quite a good
time & see a lot of interesting country. They
are going to camp out, I believe try for
panthers & bears at night as it will be full
moon. When he gets back we expect
him and for a few days on his way home
from Shanghai. This place is getting rather
gay now with the flamboyant trees & others
all coming into flower - I am afraid we shall
miss them at their best. We took the children
to the museum the other evening. Really most
interesting - besides all the Ceylon animals, birds
insects, precious stones &c. They had a very
interesting room of the native handicrafts -
pottery &c. some of it most attractive - I believe
you get the best things of that sort at Kandy &
we must certainly make an expedition there
when we get back here.

With much love & let me have a life
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