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24 RUSSELL SQUARE

LONDON, W.C.1

Wednesday night.

Dear Lady,

I found some wire downstairs just as I was going out to dinner at 7.30. I must enquire into that. There was no time to go to Victoria before dinner. I got away as early as I could, but by then the Continental Enquiry Office was closed & could only send a wire to Newhaven which she may or may not get.

I hope you will be comfortable at such short notice. I have also, engagements tomorrow at 10.30, at 1, at 3.30 at 5.30 and for dinner. Friday I go to the doctor at 10⁰⁰, I have to lunch with Martin Broune & Jeffrey Whitworth - if you were alone I should have very glad to have your company too if I might - at the Diner Francaise, 16 Old Compton St

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Soho, but I am sure we will manage Team
too as we have to discuss London pro-
duction of Murder. But I am free
for dinner & hope you will both dine
with me on Friday. I shall have to
come in in the afternoon to change
my washing & re-pack for the weekend.

Your Tom.

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LONDON, W.C.1

Dearest lady

Tuesday, 11 p.m.

I haven't time tonight to write you a general letter, or retrospective or of subsequent events since I saw you, as I have just got back late from the Morleys. I may have time tomorrow on returning from Oxford - I hope so, as I have to take Dodo to the ballet on Thursday and go to Delham on Friday, and shant have any time until Monday. I shall write to Mrs. Perkins when I get back to the office on Thursday - I have the impression that I have some engagement after July 9th which must be dealt with. When I saw you I had had a specially tiring day before, and I am now feeling enervated after the stimulation of the play. This letter is only to say that I do want you to come up next week to go to the ballet with the Morleys, who would like to see you. Wednesday or Thursday the best nights: I should suggest that you come on Wednesday and stay two nights: I dont know what ballets there will be, so that would give me the choice of two nights. We might go to see Ottoline on the Thursday. If next week wont do then the week after (I think the ballet will still be here), but next week better.

Now you said that you might not be able to afford to come up again. I realise that. But in August there wont be anything particular to come for; and I shant see much more of you anyway; and I cant see why you should raise any objection to my paying for your fare. You would, I have no doubt, object to taking money from a gentleman friend for general purposes (except, I hope, in dire need): BUT you dont object to my paying for a taxi - and a fare is merely the prolongation of a cab fare; AND it would be giving a great deal of happiness; SO there is no possible objection on grounds of principle. Only possible ~~xx~~ objection is that you didnt want to come - or didnt feel well enough - or didnt want to see the ballet enough to put up with my company.

This may reach you Wednesday evening, and I should be grateful for an early reply, because one must take tickets as far ahead as possible. I must stop now,

*Your devoted
Tom.*

(Late) to rush off - but by hurrying I just got to the gate in time. I was distressed to find you living so far away with a long walk several times a day. Let me know how you are after it, and with the fine weather.

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LONDON, W.C.1

Mr. Hale

Friday midnight.

I shall be in again on Monday morning to pack a suitcase for my stay at Lister's Hostel. You have no need to turn out before or upon my arrival, but in case you have gone -

Will you meet me at your Green Tea Room at 1.30 for lunch - not necessarily there, but a convenient place to meet, à mi-chemin. But what with trooping and one thing and another you may find another place better, and in that case ring me up at Faber's and tell Miss Swan that I wish to be called out of my committee to speak to you.

I suggest dinner at the Etoile before Sadlers' Wells. You come back to Grenville Place and get a rest in the afternoon, and I will call for you by 6.30.

Lunch Tuesday, place to be arranged.

Dinner Tuesday? I hope so. I have changed 1066 tickets from Tuesday to Wednesday.

Dinner Wednesday, place to be arranged, will call for you at Grenville Place.

The black dress? with or without Woolworths? Dinner jacket.

Thursday. Is going to be rather a squeeze. You see I must come back to Grenville Place (probably) for change of clothes - I have to take the early train back to London in order to lunch with Joe Oldham - Council at 5.00 - and then take a train to Canterbury for rehearsal, missing dinner - and back to London the next morning. But I think it can be managed.

What would Dr. Perkins like as a birthday present? There is a very nice beermug novelty, which has a musical box concealed in it, which plays "D've ken John Peel?" when you lift it.

The Dog beneath the Skin is for you. I shant tell you what I think of it until I hear what you think of it. Africa Dances seems an interesting book, at any rate a successful book: and I thought it might be of interest to Campden, if you have room for it.

The pink nailbrush on window sill is for you to use. No one has used it but me, and me only 2ce. Soap and bath powder on top of bathroom cupboard, no one uses these but me.

You are not to touch the photographs.

Elizabeth is looking forward to your coming, and either she or Mary will have the latchkey to give you.

Thanks for writing to FATHER Cheetham - but not Cheatham, please.

What about scent-spray?

Same cigarettes beside bed. I have ordered breakfast glass of milk for you: see that you get it.

"Seriously", as you say, I am worried about your getting overtired - I dont mean in London, but in Camden. So I want you to come back to Grenville Place and rest every afternoon while you are in London.

Recevez, Mademoiselle, l'assurance de mon profond respect.
Ton serviteur

P. S. East

TY GLYN AERON,
CILIAU AERON,
CARDIGANSHIRE.

LLANFIHANGEL-YSTRAD 25.

Saturday.

Dearest Emilie

This is, I fear, only
a note to explain my not
writing at length. I am
being entertained, and this,
though small, is a house-
party: so that I have played
tennis & bathed this morning,
and am writing in an
interval of a few minutes
between sitting to the
children for my por-
trait, & playing golf.

Your dear letter came
this morning - I am glad
to find that the posts are
so quick, as I had not
expected that you would
have had my letter so
soon. I miss you exceedingly,
so perhaps it is as well
that I should be kept very
busy and made to take
a great deal of exercise.

It is strange to think
of you ever having been
at your worst, as you
say, with me! but I
am glad to think that

TY GLYN AERON,
CILIAU AERON,
CARDIGANSHIRE.

LLANFIHANGEL-YSTRAD 25.

I have at some time
known the worst - I had
rather be with you at
your worst than with
anyone else at their
best. (It was still odder
of you to suggest that I
might object to your
taking too possessive an
attitude!

I fear I may not be
able to write a proper

letter tell my return to
town on Thursday or
Friday. The Morleys I know
will want to drive
straight back, as Christine
will have to do all the
driving. On the other hand,
I shall take an hour at
the typewriter if I can
get it.

Your still unworthy

Tom

Wednesday.

TY GLYN AERON,
CILIAU AERON,
CARDIGANSHIRE.

LLANFIHANGEL-YSTRAD 25.

Dearest Emilie

I am handicapped also
by the fact that Frank has
the monopoly of the only
typewriter, for a chapter
of a story he is writing - we
are all three supposed to be
writing alternate chapters.

I was happy - and surprised!
to ~~think~~ get your letter -
I am sorry I left behind
M. Jean Wahl's English Verse,
given me by Dorothy Bussey,
which I have not yet read.

Keep the tie till I come!
By the way, the 28th ^{Sep.} is not
my birthday, but I shall
be equally glad to come.
It would be lovely if you
would come up for a night
before the end of this
month. Will you try to?

The weather has been per-
fect, & the visit successful. I
am sunburnt pretty well
all over. I return with
the Herleys tomorrow, pro-
bably spending the night
somewhere on the way, &
getting home on Friday
night - so that I can
write you a proper letter
over the weekend.

TY GLYN AERON,
CILIAU AERON,
CARDIGANSHIRE.

LLANFIHANGEL-YSTRAD 25.

Did I not think, yesterday,
of what it was like a
week ago, my nightingale?

Yours completely

Tom.

1900-1901
1902-1903
1904-1905
1906-1907

STAMFORD HOUSE,
CHIPPING CAMPDEN,
GLOUCESTERSHIRE.

Dear Mr. Eliot:-

This is merely to wish
for you a very Blessed Easter
in which Mrs. Perkin and I
most heartily join. It was
very good of you to come
to see us at the last week
end; and we were very grateful
to you for reading to us some
of the lines of your "Murder
in the Cathedral". I am
sure very few of your friends
anticipate with a greater ^{interest} than we

STANTON HOUSE
100 N. BROAD ST.
NEW YORK

have the performance at
Canterbury. I do hope all is
going as you wish it.

With our warmest greetings

Phenella Rubin

with '35 correspondence

TELEPHONE NO. MUSEUM 9543

Monday

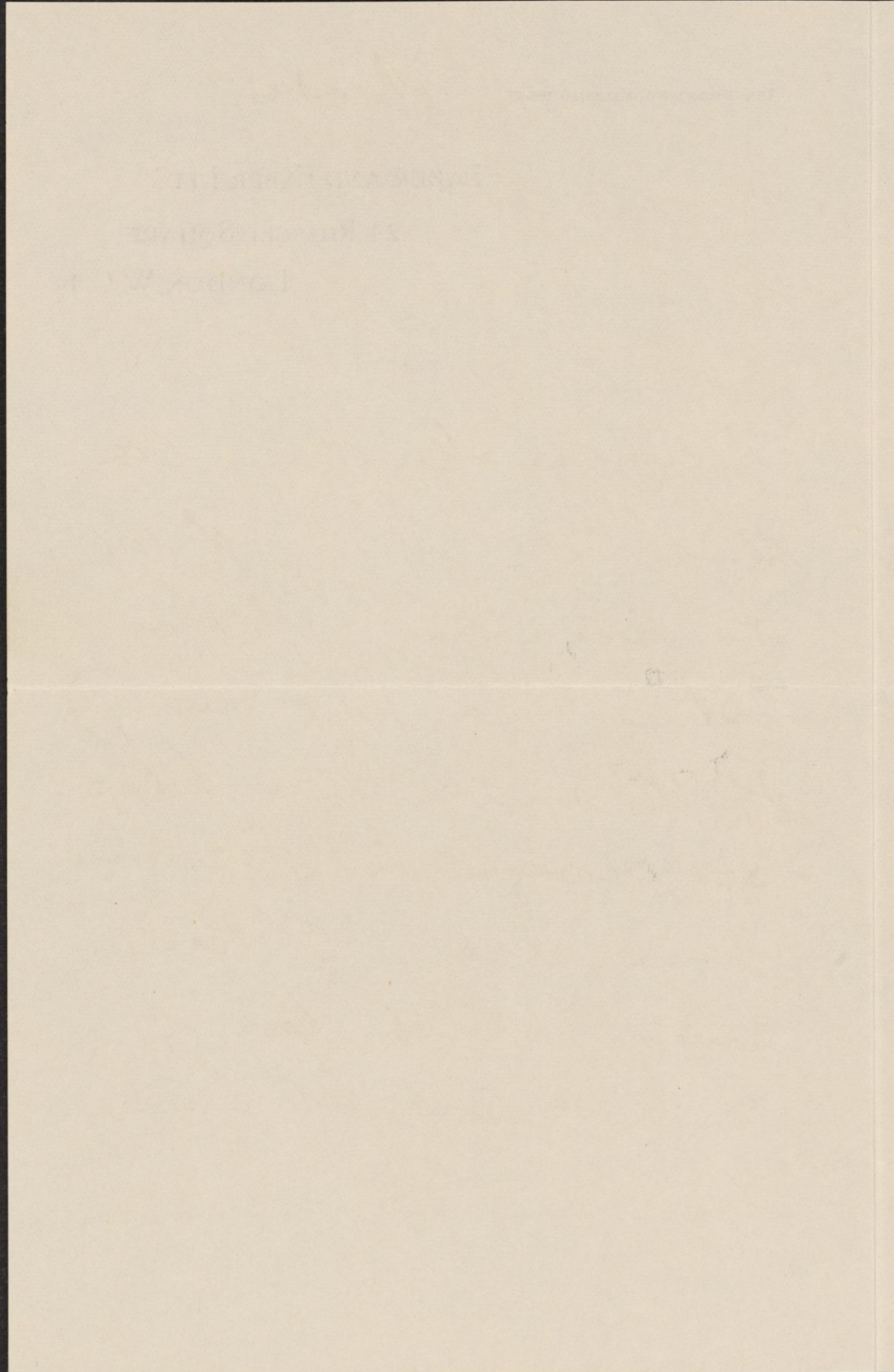
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LONDON, W. C. 1

Dearest,

I enclose Martin's letter
which does not surprise by
the situation! (I am
writing in a great hurry).
If M. arrives alone I sup-
pose I ought to give him
dinner alone - if "Raissa"
comes I should love it
to have you with me.
May I ring up at lunch



time Tuesday - or about
4 - I shall come
straight back here from
Newark.

If I did not have
to go to Kelham, and
I don't want to, you
would be getting a
letter from me in the
morning. Love Tom

this Treasury - or about
4 - 12322
strongly look for
Holland.

If I did not have
to go to Kalamazoo
I don't want to, but
would be getting a
letter from me in the
morning. See Tom

As you were so malicious as to send me what looked like a letter and had nothing in it but a birthday card which I left behind, you will not get a letter either. I am disappointed in these: the one marked with an X on the back is the Best, and only two (I shall not say which two) are worthy of enlargement. But there is something very fruity about the one in a garden chair with a cigarette.

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MAY 1962
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with '35 Correspondence



Questo è uno *opossum*, animale che non vive in Europa e che è raro anche in America. Le signore che sanno quanto costi e sia pregiata la sua pelliccia, si meraviglieranno sapendo che arma di difesa dell'animale è il puzzo fortissimo che emana e al quale non si può a lungo resistere

I trust you will place this in the hands of yr/ lawyers.

EP

I am sorry I see no way in which
I can help with our authorization
shocking. SHOCKING

