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with anklets as we do our arms and hands, and only wear a wrap about their person. These cost little, the material is thin cotton. The high caste ladies dress beautifully, their wraps are covered with silver and gold trimmings. These high caste ladies give missionaries such a kind welcome, and listen to the Gospel with much interest; but oh, it costs them so much to give up their caste. They are turned from home and receive much ill treatment; only those with strong courage acknowledge Christ. I could already write some sad and interesting stories, but must resume it when time will allow me to say all I've seen. I believe many are ready to come but fear keeps them back. Their form of worship is so silly and absurd; some of their idols are too shameful to write about.

There are about 2,000 English people here, all government people—officers and soldiers' wives. We had dinner at Lady Phayre's house. Captain Phayre, the son, is a delightful Christian young man, about 25 years of age. He sang a hymn, and a minister read a passage of Scripture, and closed the evening with prayer. The daughters (two of them) sang sacred solos during the evening. Really it was a most enjoyable evening. Mr. Builder and I enjoyed it very much, and we felt that it was a pleasant situation here were it not for the distance from friends we loved so dearly.

India is indeed a sunny land, where much is bright and fair. Just think, we are writing this morning with the doors and windows wide open, and although the air is cool there is not the least chill. We have green vegetables every day, and delicious fresh fruits many of which are new to me but very delicious. The flowers are the loveliest I've seen, in fact we saw nothing in Paris to compare; the scarlet water lily is beautiful and the roses are an immense size. Our house is quite pretty. Mhow is considered healthy, it is so