

PARIS.
9th Nov. '50.

My dear Newton -

This sketch of Paris delayed my letter to you. I have done numerous sketches from which I have been working. The result has been disappointing so far, but I hope to send on Saturday something good. In the meantime I will not delay this letter.

Your trip has been most enjoyable to us. I enjoyed every minute. Your recent letter gives us big news & I compliment you & Maria both. You will soon be a "PAPA" & it gives me an amusing feeling to think of it all. How loveable it will be to see a charming little Mr. Souza in the cradle looked after by his mummy!

I am, as planned, working hard. Drawings lots of them & 3 paintings. Mogul has left for London today & Paul & Anne too has shifted to his hotel. Beaup-Ors is disgusting as ever. Perhaps I have to do the Alkazi-trick & put rubber corks in my ears. These people are

noisy & they will ever remain so.

This one French girl, we were so keen to meet & take lessons from, happened to be with false eyes & what not. We had idealized her all the two days we spent contacting her & we had in mind besides learning the language many sweet dreams. After the first meeting & consequent disappointment we worried about getting rid of this beauty queen. It came easy as that evening she was with some friends too busy to bother about us & after half an hour's waiting we left, even without a usual "Au Revoir". We haven't met her again & I hope we don't.

I would be interested in reading your description of PARIS. Do keep the copy for us to read when we come. I hope your VERDICT is not the do one sided as Br. Nicolas on India.

Bakre is definitely coming. He has pushed up bridge faster than I could ever imagine. But I knew how restless he was & I feel so happy that he will be able to get out of the hell he is in. Do write to him soon if you haven't done.

Retain also if you can a few drawings by

Alkazi. Looking forward to meeting you soon (just a month now - and time flies so soon) with some good work too. In the meantime reply.

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