

My dearest Devika -

April 29<sup>th</sup> -

So many thanks for your letter of April 11<sup>th</sup> -  
The first and only one, since I left Crookston -  
just a year ago. The other ones never arrived -  
It is good to hear from you & to know you & Svetie  
are well & happy. Of course the little box was  
for you. After weeks of great ~~curious~~ things to send  
but it was too late - I don't know just what books  
you mean when you write "some" - By now I've  
forgotten just what I did send. Both Duga & I are  
very delighted with your new work in the Academy  
as well as Svetie's. Both of you have so much  
that is grand & beautiful to give to India - No  
better choice could have been made. ~~Carpe diem~~  
There will be so much to talk about & so over  
when we meet again. Wish it were not so  
far off - What was the name of the Technicolor  
picture of India you referred to in your letter -  
Will it be shown in America - The only one that  
seems to have come over here was "The River" - It  
made a big success here - but somehow, I did  
not enjoy it very much. Maybe I'm spoiled & expected  
too much. We too, have the craziest weather -  
Snow in April & floods in March - Now I wonder  
what ~~month~~ <sup>month</sup> will bring Raphael's accurate predicts  
floods for America. It's interesting how some of  
the important events actually happened. I do hope  
Svetie is feeling well again. Am sorry he could  
not attend the meeting. Let us hope he will be  
well now & remain so. It awfully I feel badly -  
No, I never received the snap of all of your work  
Raja Sahib Anamath et al. How is he? Do remember  
me to him - Also, to Mrs. Metzger & Mrs. Bullard -  
Give Raja & Petie a good kiss for me -



Was sorry to hear you had trouble with your baggage  
for such a thing in India can be almost fatal. 2  
But since now, you & Svetic know very well how  
to manage - I surely do admire the way you do it.  
If you want some very special type of seeds again  
I'll try to send some or bring them with me again.  
So put on your thinking cap & let me know -

Will write a few lines to Pige & Sudmulla also,  
tonight. Hope this & their note reaches safely. I  
wonder what happens to the letters that never  
arrive. Give Svetic my love & thank him for  
his birthday greeting. It seems the older I get  
the more people remember my birthday. This is  
a joyful thought but it has its drawbacks. It  
makes me realize how near to the last one,  
one is coming. And there are still so many things  
we would like to do & places to see. How is your  
weight? I get I have a hard time to keep down  
from increasing too much. Is it getting very  
warm there? I would again tell me how  
everyone is. How is George? I hope Mrs P. is  
stranger & that you are as usual, beautiful & healthy.  
Will close, my eyes are tiring. So give my love  
to each one of all as a family. I miss everyone  
so much. Big sends her love. - Oh, by the way, you  
love children so, would it you like to come here &  
help us take care of a 5 1/2 <sup>year old</sup> healthy, intelligent boy.  
Now I know why nature gives children to the young  
people. A grand mother should not try to fill the role  
of a mother. And I get & I could be grand mothers  
if life had wished it to be so. So write - love  
Katherine  
It is grand news I learn that Svetic is again making  
such beautiful paintings.



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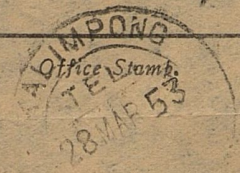
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- Wishing you happy birthday and many  
more to come Greetings to all  
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- Inge and Katherine

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