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Dear Eiman,

It is always delightful to receive a letter from
you, and it is kind of you to ask about my
health.

Our visit to Egypt began disastrously.
Altogether I was nine weeks in bed or only
convalescent and unable to work! and my
wife lost most of that time too, looking after
me. But apart from that we enjoyed our
expedition to Turin, El-Amarna, and
finally Paris, very much, and I am very well now.

I have not studied the new Book of
Wisdom at all, and it was rash of me
to express an opinion; but I gather that
you approve of the suggested date on the
whole, and on looking at the facsimile

again and the form of the scribe's name and signature I do not think it far from the truth. My knowledge of hieratic is derived only from working out a few special groups of papyrus and my ignorance of the rest is lamentable! But, so far as ~~my~~ experience goes, I should put this earlier than Darius and the fifth century.

I began at Cairo to fit the small fragments of Turahah and other early contracts found by Mariette at Sakkarah; it is a formidable task and I had only a few days for it; but it would be worth while to try again.

I shall look forward to seeing your new work on the Book of Wisdom. I should much like to hear how you and your family are faring if you have leisure to send me a postcard one day.

ever yours sincerely

J. H. Griffith.