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My dear Pythias, I just had a letter from Damien Paul, who always says, as well he may, nice letters of thee as thou dost of him, sent that Sunday, or at least, friendly? My wife & he have had such a nice letter from you. She offered to write in letter prints. Her mother & myself are constantly anxious about her. She loves the candle o' both ends, alas!

Will you kindly tell me what are the leaves I send? I fail to recognize them, and you are a sharp on all such matters. I have from West Point, N. Y. Last eve, as the

Management sent us free tickets, which I went to see the Rainey African Wild Animal Hunt. We were both amazed to see noble wild animals, one at a time, tortured and slain by a host of ignoble hunters - men(?) - and savage dogs. I had there been but one white dog we could have bore it better. I felt like the "famous" good old Irish gentleman when at his own wake - the whiskey was

uncorked - and he "rig right up in hal"
and queried did they expect him to be
"so blind, flayin drunk as to be dead"
when his stuff was goin' round! Like
Mr Weller R, he desired to rise and
address the cheer!!

Yet, I do not think I'm
a molly-coddle or a misny,
I bless Heaven every day that my
love of nature never let me to go
gunning - or even netting, for more
fun in the act!

Ypres is a perfect
day & our Valvix are still
unhatched by frost; ditto Calcut-
tula, while we have to acknowl-
edge that the drought is pitiable, the
weather is immensely lovely - the
Summer of All Saints,

With regards to Mrs
Deane, when the hope is re-
stored to perfect health -

Your constant Chum
W. W. Bailey
in sight of the 70th
milestone!



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