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Sat. June 11th

My dear Harold.

Thanks so much for your card. You may rejoice, but I don't, no, not by any means. If only Richard had not been the most successful & most conscientious Greek tutor in Oxford. It would be so difficult to succeed him: but as it is, I feel quite unequal to the task, especially as I've forgotten all about Greek in the last three years. Worse still, I haven't even learned anything new to make up. But have grown steadily more & more ignorant. However, no doubt one must trust in fate.

Braithwaite took me to tea with W.E. Johnson on Sunday. I thought him a very nice old man, but was much surprised to find that he has a grand.



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One wd. never think so from reading his works. Or perhaps that is why I never cd. understand him either. Afterwards, Brithwith took me to dine in King's, a process which I enjoyed very much. They are utterly different from the dons here: here they are all so clever and so highly specialised that they never let themselves go, and live in fear of treading on each other's toes or trespassing on each other's provinces. But there, apparently, it is not so. I met Shepherd (a most comic man) Frank Birch, and a fairly youthful person called Peter someone or other. Also Desmond Mc Carthy, and of course Keynes. I hope they will make Spott a fellow there, or somewhere else. It seems to me to be a most attractive and interesting person, with great gifts. And although a psycho-ologist, he has a profound admiration for Dr Moore.

I shd. not advise you to expect any revivalism from me. When one has listened to Moore, one realises one's own ignorance and medievalism.

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All one's most cherished opinions turn out to be (in his phrase) "so frightfully vague." In the other hand, since I have heard Moore, all my youthful reverence for Locke-Wilson has returned. I think that at bottom they are very much alike, in spite of the difference of languages. What do you think?

You are to have come over to see Henry IV. It is an admirable play. Turning of course on the distinction or lack of distinction between appearance & reality.

I hope I shall see something of you before the end of term, or later - I shall be back in May. - also on Sat. or Sunday next. Thank you again for your kind words: but I wish I cd. be as sanguine as you are!

Yours,
H. P. C.

P.S. As for "enjoyment": I prefer contemplation.



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