

Dear Hi.

Thanks so very
much for the picture,
only it makes me
want to ask for more
one of yourself - to add
to the happy family group
to which it rightfully
belongs.

Since I saw you
last - I have ~~been~~ been
busier than ever before,
and I think with better
results, the telling of
which is the Christmas

message that I have
saved up for you -
Listen then, and rejoice
with me -

I am to be sent by the
Smithsonian Institution
this winter to Guatemala
to make an investigation
of the volcano Santa
María which was in
eruption last year -

The opportunity is an
unusual one and it
has come to me out of
a clear sky - It is
unnecessary to say that
I am very much

pleased as it is all
quite in line with my
ideas as to future work.

I expect to leave about
the middle of January
and return when I
finish - possibly in April.
It isn't out officially yet
so don't say anything
about it to anyone
before the first of January.
From now on life will
be a strange mixture of
dinners and dances and
hurried preparations for
the field - I really haven't
done anything as yet -
and can't tell how I

am going or who is
going with me, but
I'll drop you a line
before I start to say
Adios.

And now the kindest
of Christmases to you all.
E.

Dec 23.

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