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RAPALLO

9 Jan 1943

EZRA POUND



My Dearly Beloved Cordelia

The maple sugar is very good and yr/ ma hadn't enter restart sending Xmas presents etc/etc. However I spose it shows a higher level of civilization than my habit of NOT.

Mary has had part of ,that is the start of, her Xmas holidays in a palace on the Grand Canal ( after being the comet ; which is I spose heathem for Star of Beffrehem or whatever ) along with a porcelain stove 12 ft/ high that might have come out of The Hermitage, and burnt a quintale of wood per day ( ~~ix~~ ten days to a ton ).

Anyhow it then got colder and we retired to steam heated pension and overate for the rest of period..

What else ? yes, talked philosophy with George Santayana when not parentally functioning, and had free tickets to a bad Respighi opera extremely well done at the Fenice.

thence proceeding to more of the poem yr/ ma disapproves of. Heaven knows when the chinks and Mr Adams will be published. I have had page proofs and rejoice in the fall of Horeb Elisha.

The local german doctor says my venerable father needs CORFEE and has even got him some on her own ( yep, she iz a lday medice from Bremen and vurry useful ).

Wonder wd. Violah with due and majestic leisure procede to purchase of ten pounds of raw coffee, preferably java and ship same.

no haste

Venice  
with  
snow

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I collected 60 yen from the p:0: this morning for  
contribution to Japan Times otherwise I apparently have to  
write in Italian if I want my opinions printed.

Mebbe yr ma has a few suggestions re/ how I shd/ conduct a  
magazine if I am KH driven to starting one of my own.

*in American*

*az wuz sent*

I like corfee in th bean vurry much/ me ole man has had the  
Beachnut. Anyhow no sense in having any but the best  
if one is goin' to all this trouble. Geo Wash is funny stuff  
certainly not as good as the bean. and so forth.

Benedictions and a raise for I940