Dear Lilliath:-

Your record, readdressed and censored today, also papers of 1938, to our great satisfaction, got volumes of foreclosures, books, apparently in standard wrapping. Considerable to-do over passes for would-be residents & for guest and me, but refusal by your Martians, made known here. No formal complaint in other capitals by our back-s. reinforcing general principles in arguments, discriminatory. You can see how much better things are in Nanjing now by the fact that Japanese official friends tell us over the hundred of their civilians are here now. Women and children are seen on the streets. Others than Martians travel by water, road & rail, if not entirely at will. Still trying, but now practically no mail, if not entirely at will. Your radio implied departure of 14th itself, hope for Apr 1st. Your radio implied departure of 14th itself, but was not specific. Also was not sure whether "rescues" was a pun or expectation of some contributions that could not be identified. Our company has over forty trucks or road between here and Bolingbroke. Will look forward to something peacetime. Much of my time is spent on daily problems. Later S.K.
Another negative for Stephenson's methods but encouragement for flowing progress beginning day after Fools' and concluding two days after that. Found group Cuckoo! Probably some people are getting too fresh in this open-field work, so I'll tone down. Have some marvelous examples of logic to put into practice if and when I see you. Love to Bobby and Grinte.

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