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FROM MY DIARY

My apologies for the lack of blogging. It's not for lack of material to blog about! I have a folder of items that I want to talk about, and it seems to get longer every week. Which is nice, really. What I don't have is any time. I'm sitting at my computer in my study, working from home remotely and dialing into a workplace that I have never physically visited. After a long day of work, the last thing I want to do is sit down at the same computer. I can't work on any of my translations. It's also hot, and remote working and zoom meetings are more tiring than you'd think. So ... silence. But I'm still here and anyway... it's summer. Don't we all have outdoor things to do?

I've had a couple of interesting emails, relating to earlier blog posts. I will post these when I get the chance.

The Covid-19 lockdown has affected my attempts to obtain information about the Roman fort in the sea off Felixstowe, because the record office is shut. I have been trying to get this information for over a year now, and in my experience that means that it won't ever arrive. But you never know.

I had an email from the Hotel Nerva in Rome, where I have often stayed, offering discounts. I would truly like to go back to Rome, although not in August, obviously! But travel is really out of the question while the plague rages.

So nothing of interest is happening here, and of course I have nothing to write about.

I'm on contract until the end of September, when I shall have to consider whether to continue. My current client is foolishly pushing its staff to return to the office during September, where their health and lives will depend on whether the low-paid and poorly-treated cleaning staff, comprised mainly of illegal immigrants, take sufficient care in performing their duties or not. It is not a gamble that I should care to take!

Normal service will resume when I get some time!
