SALISBURY
20 October 1894

My dear Spencer,

I was very pleased to get your letter; it is the only one I have had which gave any details of work done.

Stirling wrote me a short note, but the main burden of it was to the effect that £1500 would be necessary to publish properly the dealings of the Society — this of course is absurd and I cannot commit myself to any such amount until I see the reports.

You may reckon on
I am glad you succeeded in getting good photos of Ayres Rock as that seems to be the principal geological feature of the Country traversed. Amoy say the places seem to me most have got light foliage as some of my own turned out fairly well.

I have not yet had any list of the specimens collected and am rather anxious for some information so have written Bell to get a list from such.

Heartland seems to have pulled through better than I expected and apparently his gun did not go off unexpectedly.

Studying makes no mention of Gilman's notes but I will see that they are acknowledged in the book and also the services of Cowles and Dana to which two Gilman I will write.

Best, mine,

Smiling Yrs,

Yours, W. H. L.