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My dear Spencer,

Your letter gave me great pleasure, and as far as my very moderate influence will go, I shall do my best to further your project. The preliminary outline paper was sent to me in type by the editor.
of Nature and I looked through it. Happening to be at Malvern I have not seen last weeks number, but when I get back this evening I hope to find it there or in this weeks. Mr. Jellner had kindly sent me the Anthropology of the Horn Expedition, which opened up a new structure field, and reading the paper I will read your typescript as soon as it comes, and shall make the sure that the study probably here communicated with totem system is of great importance toward the understanding if the whole totem business, the usual theories of which seem to me unsatisfactory whereas your scheme, change and new as it is, is at any rate rational as a piece of savage reasoning.
Macmillans. The difficulty will lie in securing a sufficient sale among the general public, in addition to the anthropologists, who though anthropology has come on wonderfully in the last few years, cannot yet take an edition. However I will do all in my power. I particularly delight in that you have made your mark in anthropology when the opportunity offered. Mr. Tylor joins me in best wishes. /CLL/ Edward B. Tylor