



Empire Mend,
April 19. 1899.

My dear Professor Spencer,
 It was very much
 pleased on my return from
 England last week to find
 a copy of your book upon the
 native tribes of central
 Australia. I thank you
 heartily for it. It is of great
 interest to me. Had we known
 that native life amongst
 the blacks could have become

heute it.

again thanking you
in case I want to consider
a native-made gift,

Adieu me,
your friend,

Cecil White,
Bishop of
Melanesia.



full of sites & curiosities.
I suppose they are almost
lost of all men, & yet they
have shown themselves, & rather
you have shown them, to
have so much in common
with the rest of mankind.

Have only so far dipped
into the book. We have
a little time reading here,
your book is so full that it
will need all my spare
hours for some time to