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Dear Professor, The Consignment  
of Mole from Crown Point arrived  
yesterday - They were all in good  
condition, and as the owner was  
willing to take £1 each for twenty,  
I thought it better to take that number  
than five fifteen pounds for ten.  
Still it is a fearful price to pay  
for the little beasts, and I'm sorry  
I could not secure a monopoly of  
them -

A few days before your letter arrived  
I had a mole alive for about twenty  
four hours, but he was very weak  
when brought in, and I am unable  
to

to burrow to any depth in the  
sub of sand. I put him in - He  
ate one witchetty, and once or  
twice, when everything was quiet, he  
elevated his head and tail slightly  
and made a slight chirping noise,  
which he repeated two or three times,  
running forward a few steps between  
each cry. I fancy that fear has  
a good deal to do with their dying  
so quickly in captivity, as they are  
very nervous little animals and  
the slightest sound disturbs them and  
starts them burrowing - They locate  
them readily incessantly - I will  
try and get another alive and  
put the head in Muller's as you desire,  
and I have also given some of the  
fluid to the Brown Point people  
and asked them to do likewise.  
You must be humbly credulous.

Sporn, his photos and everything  
connected with him - Surely the man  
isn't in his right senses -  
As you know the Minnesotan was  
as pretty widely known - He must  
have impeded them to some extent in their  
confidence, as everybody coming from  
Australia tells me that Sporn has  
"long thought" Minnecepts!  
Mr. Parsons' talent for handling Lem  
I improve with age. That will be  
be capable of when he is eighty!  
I suppose Gillen has been with  
you ere this, and converted some  
of the benighted Mulhannites to his  
Point Pale and Sociashehe views.  
What a find he will have among  
the Anthropologists! Could write  
me in an autostruct stream of  
the probable effect of his treat on  
them, and I have been wondering  
whether

whether he will offer to perform  
the rite of Circumcision on Howitt -  
- just to show him how it is done!

I sympathize with you in the removal  
troubles and would suggest despatchly  
a few snades in the rooms where the  
Painters and Sangers are at work.  
If that wont shift them you can <sup>survive</sup>  
hope!

I have noticed the increased size and  
fecundity of the Crickcudas; and  
the Crasscudas also seem to carry  
more young -

Re Crasscudas, I think the larger  
and more leaty tailed varieties live  
principally on the Stony tablelands,  
and the small smoother tailed ones  
on the soft ground near the Creek,  
and in the Landfills -

berwinus is becoming scarce, but  
I managed to get a couple of specimens

and am on the look out for more.  
 By this mail I am sending five tins  
 of beasts. One contains the notes  
 from Crown Point and the others  
 have Tubaiya (u is correct), Ur-feela,  
 C-uwoa, Cristicausa, Antechinus<sup>us</sup>, <sup>Microtus</sup>  
 Cervinus and one mole. In Ur-feela  
 I think I have a new species of Peragale.  
 The blacks told me some time ago that  
 there was a beast called Ur-feela with  
 a white crested tail and long ears  
 like the Oogarta (*P. lagotis*) but  
 never attaining more than half the size  
 of the latter. The specimens I am sending  
 seem darker than *lagotis* and the ears  
 and head appear smaller in proportion.  
 When first I looked at them I thought  
 they had four incisors on the lower  
 jaw the last one is so nearly divided.  
 Is *lagotis* similar in this respect?  
 The brownish beast <sup>(C. dugesi)</sup> I can't locate

as he seems too small for *Macrurus*,  
and the color doesn't quite agree  
with that of *aurata*. Mylow, thanks  
to the efforts of the blacken spelling  
the spirits, they are fine full leaved  
beets, and a little sponose would

be handy when you interview them.  
Should they be of interest I will  
send the blacks out after some more  
with a good strong beed filled with  
spirits - Three tubs are in  
good condition tho' the tubs  
have "filled" them rather too  
much

The Ur-peeler and *L-uvaras* live  
exclusively in the sandhills, and  
the specimens I am sending were  
got about forty miles north east  
of here.

A bymei is like Lucy 13, sly - dark  
sly, and I have not been able to get

a solitary specimen at the start  
had the tubs continually on the  
look out. At present, at all events, they  
seem to be scarce even than *Gobijas*,  
and from what the blacks say they  
are never numerous.

When the hot weather sets in I should  
be able to get you some more  
specimens of the smooth skinned  
*Agarids*, and that *Claydon*  
beet. If you could send me  
a proof plate of each of the *Agarids*  
required it would be a great help,  
as the blacks would throw away what  
to look for.

Do you want a pair of *Acetabularia*?  
The blacks are manufacturing a  
pair ~~of~~ for trench, also a  
stone axe, but I'm afraid they  
won't be finished in time for  
this mail. I will send them

to him next post, and should any  
of his enemies come to a mysterious  
and violent end you will know  
that he has been "Coordetcha Lumah!"

Yours ever sincerely

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