Illamurda
25th Feb 1898.

Dear Professor,

Mail here last night nine days late & leaves tomorrow so only a line to thank you for the "Beetle" & Paper. Weather here January damnable 110 to 121° good rains all round the stations but nothing here beyond drizzles, we had about an inch in ten days falling so slowly that it never ran more feet away from the iron roof & nothing sprang up but flies, flies, flies. Camels in a very bad state & I fancy some will lose eyes altogether.
beautiful feed at Running Waters
Finke ran from tops end past
Stenbury + further down in
patches. Blacks still bad at
Tempe among Cattle. (There is
something lovable about them
is there not?) following cattle
wherever they are taken. Latest
stand was at the Elara just over
the big hole. “Arrabi” is one of
the worst. Camera did not look
well when unwrapped + I fancy
the weather has affected plates.
air ball bang etc. I enclose
Racehorse F.16. Exposure as
P your instructions also Kean.
on old “Abyal” Am sending for
Acetate of Lead + Flambeau’s salts
to make combined toning +
fixing bath as this “Austral”
Sun Paper would not tone
with the boraxe + chloride of
gold + faded out almost com-
pletely in the hypo, the detail
in Keano is good. Please tell
French I am not writing this
mail. Racehorse + pado egg
hunting on the Fenise did you
get the two "Filiqua Accip." I
sent you care of French.
Exposure for Kean 12.16 + as directed
I hope M.G. Spenceer + the little
ones had a good time at the
Seaside. Good wishes to you all
Yours very sincerely
C.R. Cowle