Ilamurta  
18th March 1899.

My dear Professor,

I am delighted to hear from you again that you are back safely from the old country. I intended writing a line of welcome to you last time but unexpectedly received word from the missionaries that my friends had come in there after the guns I left that they had managed to secure three, so that I had to hustle round and start in earlier than I expected. "Arabi" once more escaped although the
Mission boys had hold of him. On arrival at Alice we had to wait about a week for a second justice and when they were convicted I sent Barlow on down with them, a nice batch of six, making sixteen in less than twelve months which surely shows convince people that this playing with Blacks is all rot, you have a fair idea (when away from Gillen) of what it is like to have to capture them and I would never despair of moderating your view a little but a man who will get up on a public platform calmly state that a black fellow occasionally kills a beast because he is "hungry" that he doesn't appreciate the offence because the whites kill his crows & kangaroos
is beyond all hope & when criminally
ignorant of the laws & criminal
willfully perversity shall have
borne on his wrongs from infancy
entirely that we could bear & end it
with mercy & a cff & then some
days at Gilbert the Hills there & all her
of thence & we came on. As I know now because here is
Practically a plantation for
a little, spoke of pecuniary profit now & I succeeded in getting him properly ruled several times. Please accept my most sincere thanks for the book which has just come to hand late mail as usual will prevent my reading it yet but I will review it in my next. I do not think the illustrations are as well got up & finished as I expected, what do you think of them. I must write & congratulate Gillen on "Grimm's Fairy Tales" up to date by S. & G. he takes anything about the book as seriously anyone who has said anything in it's favour is "One of the Leading Scientists of the World" old man all others Carmine Idiots.
Of course you heard of Beathie’s fate about half a mile from the N.E. Camp where I left you on Red Bank’s Creek, a cold blooded murder by one of the semi-civilized natives. I was very sorry to miss Gillen at the Alice this time—am afraid I won’t see him now before he goes down, if ever again, once we get as widely separated. The Alice itself was just awful especially the Police Camp. No doubt one does miss Kelly’s wife there; no matter what people may have said about her, she was always kind & hospitable even to extremes. But oh, the difference now, untidiness & uncouthness brought to a fine art doesn’t half describe it, the woman is generally barefooted & balds vulgarly & incessantly, squints, shrews & oh hang it that’s enough, I don’t suppose
Annie says when she was at school she wanted to go to the shoe store to buy shoes and she came home with them so I went to the store to go to lunch and I told them to come home with them so my mother said to come home with them to have lunch. You recalled to come home with them to have lunch. She then told them to come home with them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch. She then told them to have lunch.
things for the Millard laboratory. Oxford but I am not in the business. My sister Mrs. Symon, her husband, five children & probably my father & other sister leave for a six months tour of Europe. Canada. America, Japan in Prinz Regent. Luitpold on 24th & I had serious thoughts of taking down there last lot of blocks & joining in. I spent a good many hours on pros & cons but I reckoned I could not expect to get back here if I left & starting on new ground on an empty cheque is not in my line.

Snakes have been giving me fits lately & shaken up my nerves considerably. I have had no less than four very narrow squeaks in the last month.
One night, lying on my blanket in front of the warble, I felt something against my leg & took no notice as I thought it was one of the dog's tails. After a bit I raised my head & you can guess how I felt when I saw a good eyed snake coming over my thigh & towards my face. I sung out to Barlow to get a light & then kept perfectly still. He was a long time fumbling with matches & rubbing his eyes and it seemed an eternity to me, luckily I had come off my breast & gone just round my head & away for I don't think I could have stood the bite on my face. I would have moved & probably got a nip. Two nights ago while at tea I noticed the
Dear [Name],

I hope you are well and that your family is healthy. I heard about the news in [City] and I am very concerned. Please stay safe and take care of yourself and your children.

I am grateful for your kindness and support during my time here in camp. I hope you will find the children well and happy.

I will write again soon. Take care of yourself.

Best regards,

[Your Name]