

Monterey

25/6/02

My dear Spencer

Yours to hand also MS wh I hope to go thro tomorrow. Tonight I shall be here as it will be late Coronation Committee arranging details for tomorrow's Coronation. The King's illness has upset all our calculations but I think we shall decide to go on with the celebrations otherwise the food prepared for 14 or 1500 young Cornish Jacks would be wasted. Following recd today from old Mr Reed Secy of the Geographic Socy. Can you fix date if so let me know at once will delay replying till I hear from you

+ + + to ask how early a date you can kindly fix in

July for the delivery of your lecture. We are  
anxious on this point from the probability of  
the Govt having to fill the place of Lord Hopton  
on his departure as we know that he is  
desirous of presiding. Can you then  
kindly give us an approximate date for  
a Thursday or Friday the latter I think  
the best - enclosing me the title of the  
lecture to what allusion we shall make  
to the phonographic records which I think you  
propose to include which will certainly prove  
a great attraction - I presume also lantern  
slides - On receiving your reply with  
full information on these points we will see  
His Excellency & make the necessary  
arrangements -

I think Austro Savages would be  
a good title for lecture - Let me have  
a line by return. Awfully busy

Yours

F. G.