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My dear Spencer

Just a line to let you know how I pulled through the dreaded ordeal of Mr. Lofley. I went up for two nights & after we finished discussing matters ethnological I enjoyed my stay very much. Heiberg wanted further information about the Chooringa & pointed out that merely stating that the Slaves were separated of the Totems did not throw any light upon the subject & unless I could give him some further information he would prefer that my notes on the subject be left unaltered.

afterwards practical relations were rather unpleasantly strained & I felt that I would give a fair to Green a Conservator's fund, if someone would call me away on urgent business. Just when I began to feel the strain most Mr. Stirling appeared on the scene & under his Chery influence the clouds rolled away & friendly relations were reestablished. He has not so far touched my manuscripts but he has been constrained to build up 100 pages of matter upon it - very interesting matter it is too judging from one chapter dealing with the Class questions. which I was permitted to read & about which I suggested (& he carried out) one or two trifling corrections. When I first met him in Adelaide he was ~~not~~ or appeared to be, anxious that I should revise his work but he appears to have changed his mind & I do not expect to see more than the chapter mentioned, why he has shown me that & not the rest I can't understand & Can you? He is taking infinite pains & I am very sure that his paper will enhance his reputation very considerably - They notes will appear practically unaltered & they will be entirely overshadowed by the work of the A.R.S. people will not even read the contributions of the ~~strong~~ persons Gecster though they may look at the photographs a proper of photos let them have all the cutting groups, a corroborative group & if you like ^{one} of the same dances & a few types but not the

he pressed me very hard but - I
did not make a scrap finally
I said "My mind has been fully
made up on this subject I shall
reserve all information not already
contained in the notes for publication
through the Anthropological Society
in England" He wanted to
withdraw from my notes the
paragraphs relating to blood
letting, anointing with blood
tc. tc & deal with them ^{solely} on
his own paper mentioning me
as his authority. I objected
strongly to the suppression of
any paragraph in my notes
& said that if the whole could
not be published in my name
I would prefer to withdraw from
the Bern Expedition. This ended
my correspondence for some years.

Mitchell plates - do precisely
 what you think, but without
 consulting me. Stirling does not
 know what plates you have
 of mine. Tell Mr Spenser, of
 those plates. I much regretted
 to hear, that the Gov. House
 was much appreciated. In fact
 the letter was delighted
 with our art purchases. I
 would give much to have one
 hour or two with you tonight
 so that our night business
 matters generally. I shall not
 be able to return to Melbourne
 on returning to Adelaide tomorrow
 I shall start for the old
 place on Friday week meantime
 address all communications to
 Graham Hotel City -
 My relations with Stirling are as

Present and cordial as has
been extremely kind in affording
me information at the Hospital
where I have obtained a great
number of interesting operations.
I have promised to give him
another report at Mr. Lally's before
leaving - perhaps buy in
Paris got about £300 in
Wells. Guala wishes to come 'em
I could keep one of them - horses.
I may lend a few hundred
lets hope so, as any rate
Wife & children all suffering
from distressing colds will
be glad to get them into the
drier climate of the north
again - Remember me to Mr
Spencer & give my love to
Chappin & Dora I am all
Sincerely
Your faithful servant
J. G. G.

PS I told Sterling that my refusal
to supply further information
was entirely owing to my
consultations with Messrs Forrest
& Dixon - Your name was never
mentioned in the matter. I
did not even tell him that
you & I had discussed these
matters - We both hope that
Mr. Spencer has quite recovered
J. G. G.