

When on need!
go to town during with
starting at the club on the
17th afterwards, I happened
could have gone along - I am
to have my eyes
thoroughly overhauled

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Moorea
Sept 8th 1902

My dear Spencer

This is the anniversary of a day that will for ever retain an odorous place in my memory for on the day twelve months I was nearly done to death by the combined smell of Expedition butter & the natural odour of the Warramunga. It was the only thing that convinced me that there was something wrong with the butter! I should much like to be back there tonight & would contrive to suffer a repetition of the smellful experience if only I could get the car of old Waagae & Kabidji for an hour or two. There are

the Melbourne Professor getting volumes of records from 1000 to 1200 per annum for doing to him and a credit for the records of the Council. I wish I could see the records of the Council.

What is the date of the ceremony with the women? I should like to know. I wish I could see the records of the Council. I wish I could see the records of the Council.

After the Ceremony (Nahayaga) is over. There is an entry about the intercourse on any of the dates you mention but I distinctly remember that it was for several hours the progress of the Ceremony in fact the members of the party were regarded as being of the same rank for the ceremony. But afterwards they indulged much to Zalus satisfaction & the railway Balpini men were also invited with women in that season. I remember Colquhoun's explanation of the ceremony with Zalus who says that the ceremony has been for a long time. Has your committee got anything to say on it? We

several letters from I should like to know. I wish I could see the records of the Council. I wish I could see the records of the Council.

at perhaps the Nahayaga is the most important of all. It is agreed that the ceremony is the local equivalent of the Ingouwa (which by the way is in full force amongst the Moluccas) and I think there is no doubt on that point. Everything points to it being so although the variations are very striking and are too numerous. I am very sorry that we did not find out what the young men were called who were sent out into the bush.

My journal of the 24th says the main purpose of the ceremony is to make the change of culture old men & they will not be

have a bad luck somewhere relating to
the introduction of Nathagara &
fancy it is associated with the
Pelican. Can you locate it? It may
throw some light upon the Ceremony
& meanwhile I'll hunt through my notes
~~papers~~ the record & if I find
anything I'll send it along. We
could have spent another three months
very profitably at M - perhaps dis-
covering the Thattyanam, Pettikettu, &
Eradimiri Ceremonies (Thattyanam
is the fire Ceremony of the Kingille
in which they are subject to the
Uthura) of which we have no
particulars, Am half dead with
indigestion result of too much hard
boiled egg diet. My fowls laying splendidly
I thank you,
Yrs truly
J. G.