My dear Spencer,

Once again I am addressing you from the old familiar den which seems more than ever of things anthropopoeal. In addition to the old smell and a odour peculiar to my Pougébrother, the Alzorinmo of the old, novemque, pervades the place. he and a few of his chosen disciples have visited and colloqued with me here daily now to the anguish of my own who encloses. Much to our clothing,
Another attack of Typhoid
(Did I tell you that Drs. Sterling & Crewe both say he has had a form of Typhoid?) We got home on the 18th with hardly any sign of the fever which we found most distressingly prevalent to an awful degree.

The Redden Bros. & Balfour got bad eyes & this gave Considerable anxiety. It was a great relief to me to get them all safely home again. We spent a week with Pyne. He was in great form, as keen as ever in collecting for you, he was making money too. His trade transactions. We also
I spent a couple of days at The Crown, where I secured a lizard and a marsupial, and through I take to be the Chiroptis and am sending both to you by mail. In the same box you will find a bottle of sandrien. Iphasis maetc. I hope the two of the lizards will turn out to be I new. Please let me know when you write. I was sorry to learn from your letter that you had lost a friend, it was very good of you to brung the writing under the circumstances. I feel was very glad to hear that he had sent you a new radio.
Tell me that he has been sending a number of birds and eggs to Scotland, one of the birds turns out to be of the Arctic regions. The short-toothed myzornis in Australia. Before leaving Adelaide, I got into the vortex of the share boom, and I had already sold out. When leaving Town, I could have made nearly £200. Unfortunately, I think on, my shares have fallen, my profits have vanished. I wish them a jamp of my hard earned savings. Mom, I shall not get any sympathy from you, but somehow I can't keep telling...
You. If I had only gone in when I first knew about it, I could have made some thousand. There would have been no necessity to return, here. Perhaps anthropological science would have lost something. Apropos, I am sending you in separate enclosure full answers to all your questions from which you will see that much of the information given in Melbourne was incorrect. Guided by your questions, I have been able to discover several errors and I am also sending you full particulars of the
Coordalecha business. If you will write this into the Articles on Choomag the whole will make a very decent sized paper. I am sending you by parcel post in package is marked No 1.

One properly made & decorated Coordalecha shoe - decorated as when used by Coordalecha. One charmed bone Injijia.

The tail have long used for lacing boot to leg. The bottle containing Epareepa Coordalecha lizard.

The Aroola Naama twinna for description of which see Questions & Answers. You may require these things for...
for description, but in any case they will form an interesting addition to your collection, which I am anxious to make equal to my own. Since my return, I have secured part of a set of stone Chobraiqa belonging to the Unjeekamba
Ockanadilla. I sent them with the blanks belonging to this particular totem to get the stones from the bedding place about 40 miles N.E. of here where the Chichlicheu tribe merges with the Aruma. I am sending you one of the stones in box No. 2. I have worked out the class system of the Chichlicheu

I have from the flower of which the blanks prepare a
Very carefully & am sending result with other materials—if you do not make use of it in this paper you can keep it for future use.

Do please let me have a list of questions by each mail. I must have the guidance of your scientifically trained mind to work by or I shall accomplish very little. It is not likely that I shall remain here longer than two years & I am most anxious to make the very best use of my time. It would be a calamity to me if your interest in the subject cooled down. If you will continue to direct my inquiries I am sure we shall
be able to collect a mass of valuable information within the time mentioned. If Horneet will be interested to learn that I have traced a group marriage as far north as Crown Point, you will remember our conversation on the subject at your house in Melbourne. The description of Pirama, which he derives in this paper "On the Organization of Anu Trika" is almost under the somewhat similar name of Piranmara, amongst the southern Arunta. I was much interested in the paper referred to, it is contained in "The Finale of the Royal Roe: of Reed", which you gave me no hint.
I have not yet had time to read Namaoi or the other papers but hope to do so after I get out of this mail. Please feel assured that I will not fail to return the papers he was good enough to lend me.

Tell me—did you receive some Santorini slides which I lent from Adelaide through Pastor Horne? Have you received the moles from Stirling? If not why not? Steen was very anxious to have some particulars about the Cooridnaean but I declined to give any information on that or any other subject. I am sending them some corrections (but no additions).
to my notes by this mail—by the way there was no letter from him. This mail is he going to drop the correspondence? I hope not, for I like the old beggar though I am much afraid our worst anticipations will be realized. When we were leaving he sent the Wife a Very beautiful Edition of Shakespeare in Twelve Volumes—I can't understand why he changed his mind about getting me to revise his paper or why he did not show it to me. I think I told you that he showed me one chapter in that he had made two or three mistakes which I corrected. What—do you make of it all?
I am sure he will be angry when he finds that he cannot get hold of the plates to inquire into what he finds that you are part owner. When you are fixing up this paper on Choorunga or Coordadcha it would be as well to mention that I had contributed notes to the foregoing volume. Don’t you think? A great number of people now know that he has had many holes to work on for twelve months and if he does not give me full credit he will be suspected of some rough criticism. If he deals fairly I shall feel that I have been cruelly treated.
Can be no doubt his mode of action is calculated to generate suspicion. I got some very good views on the road up also some good types will send you copies of all by next mail & if there are any of which you would like I shall send slides just let me know. I am going to try my hand at clear making as soon as the machine material arrives. You will be surprised to hear that I bought an Anschütz camera exactly the same as the one we saw with Mr. Honeker's friend in Melbourne - I looked at one I remembered after it many times in Identité.
but it was not until I arrived at Crown Point that I secured myself up to
the necessary height of elevation. Then on the spur of the moment I vowed to Baker
& Rouse & the whole paraphernalia including developing dishes in
printing frames will be here in a fortnight. Now I should be able to produce
some really instantaneous work. If you succeed in disposing
of those Chooringa Stones to
the Anthropological Institute I shall go in for a full plate camera
of the same sort & try my
hand at lasting Corroborees by
magnesium light. By the way
in writing of Corroborees would
it not be better to use the local form 'Quaapara'?

Shortly after Christmas I hope to visit the Mission Station in my capacity as Native Protector & while there I hope I may be able to collect a lot of information about the Mooridah Tribe. I shall also take the Camera in readiness beforehand with the Missionaries to organize some Corroborees & Ceremonies. I wish you would make a point of letting me have a list of questions in time to use on the trip next May. I shall go north to Attack Creek, a series of Corroborees will be organized at
Photographed at Barvar and Demands (and rats will be collected if you furnish questions?)

I wish it were possible for you to accompany me on these helps however the next best thing is to have the assistance of a good press of questions. I hope you will find time to let me have them. On my return from the North I hope to find you here. Byrne— I will do everything possible to make things easy for you if necessary you can depend upon us to convey you from Odhavatta. This would be a saving of expense & give you more time to look about etc.
I am sending Besley to Lemnits
and in a week or two
to relieve the Nature Marler
there who is going down
for a holiday, he will
collect for you while there
1 dry salt, a male or female
specimen of each kind
of beast found in that
neighbourhood. I am afraid
I shall not be able to send
him more than a bottle or
two of spirits, the Can
you lend here was not fuel
when it arrived, it appears
to have diminished considerably
during my absence. I warned
you a few days ago
for tins & bottles.
I hope the Espenella Coquus, the iguana?
To new you will find two larger specimens in better condition in box No. 2. This lizard more
with made like motion. It does not
appear to me to have the legs, about
appear to in the to be only rudimentary
lial. It is not easily procured
in this locality - the dry desert
lizard is also uncommon. I
find I have not been able to
able to procure a wild case but
there is no doubt about their
being in this country. Before
shoved me the proofs of
your Zorby's paper also prints
of manuscripts. I took as splendidly
done. I was much interested
in them. Do you intend
having the photographs done in
the Colonies? When in 
Mr.
...number I saw some engravings from photos done in Sydney. They appeared to me to be excellent. Our mail in future is to be handled by this ship, and give you an extra week to answer letters. The train to Orinonada now only runs fortnightly. If you should require quick replies to any questions at any time, post the questions to him, and he will write them on to me. I have arranged with him to do this. I can also write my replies to him. If the matter is urgent you might ask Sir Charles Todd to write from Adelaide, and I could reply through him.
I am sure he would be too happy to oblige. I had no intention of speaking to him about the matter on Adelaide but I was afraid he might try to influence me with regard to furnishing information to Stirling.

Here is a characteristic jumble from a letter of Cowles whom met me at the Charlotte:

"It is a pity you should spoil an otherwise promising career with such foolish and fanatical ideas on the True Freedom not to speak of your blind and unquestioning belief in the hell worship of this effete government—If this is the boasted civilization of the Nineteenth"
Century by all means but as
read to the habits of the
Blacks "Catch as catch can" I am
today full of steam as "yesterday
was my birthday"

It is collecting Choormga
for me so far I have not
been able to definitely trace
the stone Choormga within the
Sooiteha Country. I have always
been under the impression
that the stones Starling got did
not belong to the Sooiteha-
Tolte from whom I expected to
get definite information on this
subject. He writes "I have about
a dozen very wretched little
things (i.e Choormga) but hope
to do better shortly" I would
I very much like to have you look with me over the wooden ones (meaning woven egg) I spoke of to you before and which I believe to be the place of the Stone ones in some Districts as the stones I got were borrowed from another country. I am inclined to think that the stones he has belong either to the Western Wing of this tribe or to the Chichicua. But I shall be able to thoroughly throw out the subject when I go to the Mission Stations where the Guachella, Arumla, and Chichicula intermingle. I shall be anxious to get your notes to know what you think.
think of these Chooringa notes. The legend of Chamber, Pulcar is I think somewhat remarkable closely parallel to the episode of Lot’s wife. Were the Tables of the Morn merely Chooringa I wonder? This question or speculation would shock the orthodox! Are these legends worth collecting? By the Shah of Mahomed’s Uncle, at the sacred heart of St. Patrick, Ireland, I detect the regal odour somewhere in the vicinity. Yes, my instinct was correct I in the King’s He brings with him an emaciated more dead at least three days. Bah! Angus! Iren the professor’s horse could
Scarcely had I, Bri, continually discovering what he calls "big beasts" for the Fossa. The Ilchilliyina conditioned in bottle was found by him in our bath home—Did I tell you that Mr. Ockeghem believes that the breath of the Ilchilliyina causes wasting disease & death? It would be interesting to know how this supernatural arose. I have just heard that sharks are booming again may the Lord in His infinite mercy window grant me a bit of luck in a real little moment would satisfy me—Prof. Tale known in the Dundes
fields in which I hold considerable interest. I am very curious to know how you are going to manage Trimner. When I last saw him he declared that he was done with the Horn Expedition, he will require careful handling and you are the only member of the Expedition who has any influence with him. It will be a great pity if his map and Journal are not included in the book. How does the Kamara Sallim book in its finished condition? Preparations of greasy Khunumpecta broth are not wanted.
inform me that they are prepared to allow me to photograph a Corroboree this afternoon in return for a blow out of flour, tea & sugar. I have accepted their terms generously adding sundry boxes of tobacco if I then get up to satisfactorily. I have been talking to the old King about you & telling him of the kindly interest you take in the Affairs Generally in the Alice Springs; to no particular he says that you are of his class Bulkehara but that you must be of the Unnirinjula. He wished to know if you were a big or little boy in your own country.
Spent $10—three good pictures
My kind regards to Mrs.
Spencer. More to the Reader.
Don't spoil little Chapmir.
I don't work too hard.
Yourself. Remember that you
are not made of cast iron.
Schem the Friend regard
in which 'Wife joins.
Your kind feeling.

By—I apologize for the length
of your letter. My excuse must be
that it is so long since I
have had a fair shot at you.