

Monna

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My dear Spencer

A right merry Christmas  
and a happy New Year to  
you & yours, old man, from  
me & mine. If you enjoy  
your goose as much as  
we enjoyed the 3<sup>d</sup> Chinese  
fowl at Borrooloola you  
will be happy. I remember  
when the old Geiger was  
preparing it we had great  
tonguings: we agreed that its  
breast was abnormally developed  
rather than admit that it  
was lean but when it was

Booked & marked down with  
a bottle of Nansen's in  
unanimously voted it Young  
Tender's tarty juicy Saccatol  
delicious though not a *Flake*  
bird. You cannot eat *gans*  
without late hope to sail  
to the Gorgonian part of Stalks state  
language there will be no  
good no information no *mantra*  
no Sweet Potato abnormalities  
in the paddings might *It's* to  
the *Agave* rich & *you'll*  
what be permitted to *their*  
in natural *drum* *signatures*  
what *blowers*. While you  
are enjoying Mr Spenser  
plan paddling waterpiece you  
had promise *thrust* of the  
awful mark the old *feigns*

plaid before no *Sam* *stomach*  
he tackled it *stale* as *lacked*  
on *made* *ready* *stands*.  
Oh how George *his* *hands* did  
enjoy that *padding* The fact that  
the *water* had *good* got into  
the *water* improved it *in* *them*  
to *opinion* *of* *water*  
The *Admiral* *people* are *trading*  
a *great* deal of *Maurice* I  
mean he is *having* a *great* *spice*  
On the previous *vail* to *Academy*  
before *sailing* out on his last  
expedition, he was a *strict*  
*trickster* *the* *found* *red* *ropes* *?*  
*his* *opinion*. If we could only get  
the *key* to *take* an *interest* in  
the *regions* he *might* *be* *of* *service*  
*good*. At present he appears to  
be to be *forcing* his *time* &  
*money*

going over other explorers' tracks  
his collections however will find  
their way into the Adel museum  
& for this we must be thankful  
Pai is off tomorrow to  
spend his holidays with his  
grandmother & he is in the  
agonies of despair at the  
prospect which Jack is abiding  
on the dumps. Am feeling  
that I could do with a  
change myself. It has been a very  
glow here especially the last 3  
months & the hours are tormenting  
long. But I must bid you  
adieu for this day. I remain  
Yours truly

Islip

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