

Moonta

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My dear Spencer

Don't shoot Ill climb  
down! I cannot for the  
life of me understand why

~~you should~~ ~~be~~ ~~so~~ ~~opposed~~ ~~to~~ ~~it~~ ~~is~~  
objectionable I had I should not  
dream of carrying it into  
effect against your approval  
even if you had threatened  
to cut me off with less than  
the proverbial shilling. My  
schemes which by the way did  
not ~~among~~ originate with me  
but with a friend I would not

have involved a personal loss  
of more than £50 under the  
most unfavorable circumstances,  
the idea was that half a dozen  
of us <sup>should</sup> throw in £50 each  
to form a small syndicate &  
that I should go up very  
lightly equipped with a riding  
horse & a couple of packs &  
with the aid of a couple of  
Nigger porters around for a  
few months - I already know one  
very promising property - upon  
which I spent money years  
ago - which has so far as I  
know not been taken up by  
anyone & unless I am wrong  
in my opinions about Wiamaha

Depot <sup>at</sup> is <sup>not</sup> <sup>concerned</sup> <sup>by</sup> <sup>to</sup> <sup>any</sup> <sup>thing</sup> <sup>there</sup> -  
I have no believe in the Menacoles Depot says  
The country there is hard & landless looking but  
I honestly believe that there is a great future  
before the White Range & <sup>is</sup> <sup>not</sup> <sup>near</sup> <sup>at</sup> <sup>all</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>same</sup> <sup>as</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>other</sup> <sup>places</sup> <sup>there</sup>. These  
properties are not receiving any attention <sup>now</sup> <sup>because</sup>  
because the shows at Menacoles are being run by  
representatives of Advertiser Brothers Syndicate. A  
few night ago two White Brothers in Advertiser got  
\$6000 cash for a claim at Menacoles which  
had been rejected and they thought by some they  
sent it to I expect expect Brown to claim  
the Menacoles & keep it if I shall be greatly

disappointed if he does not report <sup>very</sup> <sup>favorably</sup> <sup>on</sup> <sup>the</sup> <sup>White</sup> <sup>Range</sup> <sup>claims</sup>. The present slump in the market  
may be only temporary. I think the same sort of thing  
occuring in the early days of that market if only  
Brown report confirms showings about the Menacoles  
Claims shows will recover again in a day -

I'm an old man I'm sorry my financial  
prosperity of you. It was mostly the hope of bettering  
my financial condition that made me undertake it  
I'd count on your judgment than a ton of gold  
so let the dream slide. I should say that you  
better take me simply forgotten. When did you  
hear those news reports on sign of them yet. Were  
they sent by rail or sea? I'm sure

W. S. W. B. B.