Alice Springs
10th July 1898

My dear Spencer,

It has quite a delicious experience going through the proofs for lots of which arrived by last mail. I am returning the duplicate pages. McClellans account of Prof. Tyers opinion is very encouraging, and it makes me more than ever eager to purchase fresh fields. I should much like of course to be with you on the Burdawee trip although I do not flatter myself that I should be able to do much you will do just as well without me especially as you will have the assistance of a man who is probably in the Confidance...
I have not heard from you since your 20th. I have been hoping that you would write soon. I am writing to let you know that I am well and that I am doing everything that I can to find work. I have been looking for a job, but so far I have not had any success. I am feeling a little discouraged, but I am not giving up hope. I am trying to keep busy and keep my spirits up.

I miss you very much and I hope to see you soon. I am looking forward to our next letter. I hope that you are doing well and that you are able to manage your own affairs. Please take care of yourself and write soon.

Your devoted friend,

[Signature]
urged me to go to the Salyim town where he thinks I could do valuable work with the dead. The missionaries whom he assures me would be only too glad to afford me all the assistance in their power. They have not made any attempt to gain information about the native customs and do not know whether the blacks have a class equivalent of the Abyssinian Emperor. The blacks are a higher type than those one finds in the Centre. One little piece of information that was given to him by one of the priests is this; on one occasion a fine local churchly young man came to the Sultan and informed him he wished to become a Chamban
The priests told him that it would be necessary for him to stay at the village because instruction he then went away to a few days later they visiting the camps one of the fathers found that the men had been killed and that the bodies were then crouching the body which they afterwards called then burying the bones. They raised a mound of earth over the grave & around was erected a wall of earth & hills forming an opening at one side. They then huddled their women to the grave & extricated them on top of the grave - not a scrap of information beyond this. You can imagine how I struggled.
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one very ill indeed & both at once vowed that their illness resulted from the accidental dropping of the implement with the points toward them when they were about to pose for the picture. One old fellow, the sharper, recovered in a day or two but the other old chap is only now beginning to mend after much mending by the women fraternity. On the day after the picture was taken a rock was found split in two opposite to where the man stood. The blacks believe that this resulted upon the juggling of the boxes--very far I there black had hear the particular room I armory.
before how the stone became effective—how hard to say—a hard graminaceous fodder—how it certainly too much to show. That it has been showed. The incident has furnished the camps considerably how red hag poured out a torrent of invalids upon us as for encouraging the outside hands to bring in their umanggarra implements.

The Illat moote several I. The pagans have become afflicted with boils which the aboriginals attribute to the magic influence of the Chelchingalla (Molongaroath) corroboree. The circular designs upon the bodies of the performers in that corroboree represented boils. Then that influenza Does havoc. They were much concerned.

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Graded around me that my absence was due to a boat and
the school brought on by attending
the Church school. January influence
must be brought to bear to pass
the cold with as quickly as
possible. It belongs to the mgungana
Tubul, it belongs to the
section. The best thing the
men can do is to promote a real
harmony. I doubtful appearances says
Chiefbugalla as good. Too much
Tubul, the Tinko have headed
off the small of the red men going
abroad. He has only 200 men the
red men and 7 lonely bushmen nice
men of the Kalahari. Has a capture is
impossible, if any lasting feeling.

Says that of native. The one feeling
that he appears to me to be real
for from.

I was glad to hear that Rode had
strapped his adored terms he
appears to be a number sort
of fellow to deal with. It will
hurt and him a great to fling
a word of his term coming now
as a postmen. Shilling picture
in very low spirits, poor red
Chapp, de fair me, he says, has
done nothing to satisfy his
grief; he has lost all interest
in words or only words appear
as a means of pleasing
the time, remaining silent. I am
very sorry for him with
lot could get him up here for a month
to come him up at all.
Looking forward to seeing the book when he feels sure will be a great success. The W. B. Barham I mentioned in a previous letter as being an English travel writer, now attached to the Alligator tours in the U.S., he brought letters of introduction to Stirling from Lord Hertford. Stirling says he is full of enthusiasm but without any accurate knowledge on the subject of negroes—and a good fellow, I am disappointed about the F.R.S. not coming along now as that might be planted on the last page of the magnum opus. Perhaps it will be in time for the second edition. I shall be more than delighted of the
book helps to win you the
admiration, I ought to help.
I am curious to know what Mr.
Spencer will think if I mention
my proposal. Addison help
I mentioned to my wife this morning that
I had serious things to ask
the Court to allow me to go
North for a year after next
summer & political relations has
been changed ever since. I could
not well join you on the other
route, even if I were anxious to
do so. Then at Aldenodden I
should be able to definitely settle
the Wappinger marriage business
of the coroner could not then
be put in perhaps it could be
placed in the appearance? I have
never felt quite happy about it.
I conclude the present letter with a full assurance of the everlasting friendship and esteem of

The course of things has been so uncertain and so various in the course of events, that I have no

The present moment is so peculiar and so important in the history of our country, that I cannot make

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from mine love from the Anmar reservoir country I hope to get some good things especially in magic implements. I have promised to go see these people in their own country later on and must do 20 Frenchies before I leave the country. It is just possible that I shall be called to town officially from Ordinance if so I shall try to town over to see you although I shall not be able to spend more than two days in Melbourne. I don’t want to go to Town of Lear probably help it because of the expense which in the present state of the Exchequer I can ill afford. A korno in the share mudder would make three
or four weeks holiday not only
acceptable but enjoyable-
Burley turns up in a few
days the is returning home
home and all his little capital
in the localneo he roaster
now are now setting through 50
lum I alone from a new find
from which they expect
good results but I am afraid
they are discouraged to disappoint
it will take more than an annce
and responses none of these
treks will pay unless worked on
a large scale. It seems a pity
to think that Burley has to throw
away his holiday when he could
have found an enjoyable time. Dear
something for his money am before.
The last thing of our acquaintance after being so long at the Court and then returning to his own business in the Divinity School, I am informed, was an illness which he received on the voyage. He is now ailing and I am considering whether I shall go to him or not. I have not seen him for some time and I am anxious about him. I shall therefore go to him in Devon. Shall I go in a carriage? I do not know what to do. He is a gentleman and I am determined to be polite and show him the respect I am accustomed to in such cases.
Courage to be fair although at times you are exasperatingly unreasonable (from my point of view perhaps after all your views are right) I should take some pains to launch out on the Home Race question in England insular /& narrow minded but I feel sure you although of almost appear from your letter that you were artfully inviting attack perhaps you were in whose case you once be disappointed.

Now must close please remember me to Montagu & give my love to the humans who must have grown so lot since I saw them.

Yours

My wife and kind regards and good wishes