New Springs
23rd Dec 1858

Dear Mr. Spencer,

Your long and terse letter, Colombo, etc., reached me the other day. I read it in my hurried and restless state, but I shall not trouble you with a reply. I was glad to see your familiar face once more.

You were fortunate in having been an obedient father to your son. I am sure if I had been as fortunate, I would have been a devoted father.

The news from your home brothers is heartening. I am sorry to hear of the loss of your mother, but I am glad to hear that your son has recovered from his illness.

The news of the death of your dear friend, Mr. Jones, is a great sorrow. I hope you will be able to bear the loss.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
on a recent expedition two years ago. The recent King had a sudden illness at Mr. Quilk some months ago - somehow I think - but at any rate he was very ill for some time. Upon recovery he gave out that the Ashantees had agreed to General the King's body with the diseases affected the form in much signs - prostration - he died before father died. He gaged a succession out of him, - they all felt confused about who would receive, though, they were there dying there some hours while he recovered from the fever. Misses patient - along who had just arrived from India. - who was support to have seen "burned up" by some malicious whites at Macuma - since my return, there done as an ethnologist. So far I have not been able to get with him to force a local work in connection with previous work over there. I have heard that the King is going on. Though that the King's illness to rum and other licories and rum was his real illness - some days ago - an outlaw boy - that is an outlaw from
In the town, people seem to be losing all reason. A man named
Gillis was seen to be clearly unbalanced. He fell on the boy who subsequently bit him with his teeth, intent on trying to
make him as deadly diseased as he was trying to
make. He was then dealt with. From now on, Dema
and the other men have been on the run."

"Andrews said no. Heens have been moved for about a day in now. Cattle sickness now
I am convinced. Never done these animals. They
require the proper treatment."

"I am sick of this."

"But, after all, Cattle point."

"Courts have been met."

"I am

right."

"Two or three weeks ago, Daddy was
appointed as Solicitor to act in authority.

"Toed wines are privately bringing me
an appeal for this, which is likely to
become more and more imminent."

"This is a

much more important relation than Marden.

"Is this a large owning horses farm?
and although the cattle are to return as at any rate. The position here is
it is
daily growing worse. The horses are in
the idea of going there. Their horses appear
for the position and have nothing to
Reply Daily. Pray don't come that it would be better for me to have you here. Then it is no sense to die. I am on a point that the state of it is not worth taking on. I am so much for my prospects. Shall be able to study the correct manner in all his habits and diligence. It is good for you to send the Hudden Christmas cards before leaving you. Thoughtfulness on this subject has shown the admiration of my Noys. rushes. The children are now at Mr. Green's. They are having a delightful time. Miss Drummond is trying to teach me how to write. Those obers go in for me. But now I am writing through. Bosso Goldwin. Though he is a wonderful. I am looking forward to hear from you. Such an amount of news he is this you got on generally. I miss. Do not expect you to make fully write you as collect as home again. From the line of your last three letters. I don't know you will taste the
English appointment if it is offered to you. Let me honestly say that I look forward to your leaving the Colonies with a high degree of pleasure, for I do hope to have a look at you occasionally if you remain out here. I understand that Mr. Peacock only resided in Adelaide a day or two before going on for some more inland. I fancy he got back at Mt. Loongdalla recalling him to the Fatherland. I am sorry you did not meet him. He was a most interesting and really modest & unassuming man.

Registered has been going to a Column a half the day - in a vehicle headed by Savages. Contaminated in one of the papers read this morning. They dealt with my lecture. Day money things. I wish as I saw this Column and probably the whole authority in Adelaide in the very interesting places of aboriginal life in Flinders, etc. I don't think you could stand much of it but at any rate it is gratifying to know that lectures in this remoter part.

They give the Chris & Marriages &c. &c. &c. upon other matters in connexion with marriages
Extracts from the letters have been copied into papers throughout the
colonies, and I have had several letters
asking for information about the
state of publication of this book.

It's a silly imaginative day
and I am simply playing in my
own mind to give up - Searl the
old man - let me have a farewell
and affectionate account of your farewells.

It was duly hope her hands up and
I was feeling the breath of
utterly hopeless trying to
and any way with the further ends of
I could get some rest in their
parents disturbed. Conditions were
"or the track to be a more 
and then fixed to a west end west
ignition when incident in positions with 
worst