Alice Springs  
March 9, 1896—

My dear Sencer,

I was very agreeably surprised to receive letter from you by this mail though you trip to Ch. would prevent your meeting. Very sorry your energy & enterprise was not better rewarded. Though I suppose you will be thoroughly satisfied if the fact you mention pros to be new. I knew Potty would look after you well from what he tells me. He enjoyed your visit immensely. The trio large
No success at Gourna laggon nor have I been able to get any. Place took trees quite well attended to your request about two other things when the weather becomes a little milder - I have already started collecting shells of various mammals. I have no objection to sending a few of any of my photos that you may think worth reproducing. Providing I get the credit for them. With reference to the information about the of cardinal staining etc. I will get to work on it at once and let you know the result after careful inquiry.
Shall I supply the information to Edgington as an addition to my notes? Shall I be glad of any suggestions you can give me as to information about the blacks which would be likely to prove interesting to anthropologists. The Progressives and tax am glad that your politicians are at last falling into line in the forward movement than muddled Conservatism has brought Victoria to the verge of bankruptcy. I am neither a Single Taxer nor a Socialist but I believe thoroughly in the Progress of Taxation lately introduced here and copied in England by Sir William. Victoria will have
one of the most gifted men of his race Grattan. His letter is dated to Melbourne after his return without an offer of buy - frogs. I have sent a lot of photo material by this mail. I hope to send you some results next mail if the weather does not keep too hot. Your picture of the cutting operation (mode) at Temple has greatly interested me. Huggers! I have arranged to take a series of pictures giving different views of the ceremony. If you wish you could be here with your camera at the time?
Is the blinded or dinked bandicoot common to Australia? The
Muggoo describes such an animal as being found in the
Spinifex Country north of
here. I am trying to get
a specimen — with has
left for the settled districts
This occuror is to arrive
shortly. The residents gare
him a forenoon dinner at
Gumleur's Hotel at which
I preceded to read myself
only getting home shortly
before midnight. I am
still living his lonely life
at Illamorella — he has
not paid me a visit
for over 12 months. I hear
of that the monologue of
With just one in
the hand regard
all good wishes -
and
courteous picture of the
her friends, instantaneous
in hands corners
of various dates this week
account for curious
Colours. Clean the
Yours truly

[Signature]