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Office of the Civil Commissioner

of Queenstown  
South Africa 1884  
3<sup>rd</sup> November

Sir,

I hear quite accidentally  
that you may care to purchase  
a fairly good specimen of  
Dushman's painting that I have.  
I became possessed of it by  
chance. it was chiselled or  
rather wedged off a large rock  
at Van Grey in Tambourienland  
three months ago. and is, if

being some 170 lbs and so. The  
paintings are in a fair state  
of preservation - and of the  
animals usually depicted.  
Ostrich (very good, almost artistic)  
Buffalo, some Antelopes &c.

A strong packing case with  
equally strong iron bands to  
under its lining - would be all  
that wd be wanted. and this  
I of course can easily get.

I am, Sir, -

Your obedient servant  
W D Warnford

\* of the usual colour, red ochre, black, white  
and buff -

to  
General Pitt-Rivers  
do do do

not unique, at least almost so,  
as I believe with the exception of  
two specimens in the British  
Museum, there are no other  
excepting on the surface of the  
rocks themselves in the various  
Berkshire Caves in this County.

It is of course difficult to  
affix a value on such a  
thing, and were I well off  
I wd prefer to see it to do so —  
I took an exaggerated view

of its value at first, as I did  
not know of the two specimens  
~~of~~ in the Museum. but  
now that I do know of them  
I would say that £7 or  
£8. would not be unfair.

If you care to give it a  
trial it is, and I will take  
every care to pack and  
have it carefully shipped  
to any place you may choose.  
The size is some 4 in x 2 1/2 in.  
The weight of the stone

Copy of answer.

Rushmore  
Salisbury

28. Nov. 84

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 3 Nov.  
I shall be happy to give £7 for the  
Bushman carving if you will  
guarantee its safe arrival in London.  
Have you a drawing of it?

Yours truly

A. Pitt Rivers