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My Dear Sir George

The last letter which I sent to you, went, I think, by the "Cossack". I do not know how long ago. I also sent you a number of things then per Bothport. — I now send you a small box of which Capt. Chapman of H. M. S. "Dido" leaving Simonsbay to morrow for Australia has kindly consented to take charge. It contains as follows.

1. Photographs of Natives (mostly done according to Professor Huxley's instructions), which I beg you to accept as a birthday present to your seventieth birthday, which is now a month past.

2. Cape Town Directory for 1872, presented by the publishers.

3. Zingaris, — some of the portraits are good.

4. Revd. Dr. Steere's Nyamwezi Collection

5. " " " Yao "

6. Report regarding Bushmen Studies (copy

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a manuscript copy in the British
At the Library I am hard at
work at an accurate Inventory
of the Contents, which is to supply
to some extent the place of the
detailed Catalogues. To complete
the latter will require years
still, – and in fact I almost
despair of seeing them finished
myself. In compiling this Inventory
I have to some extent been guided
by the plan followed in the
Inventories of the Burgundian
Library (at Brussels). I trust
to be able to get this Inventory
into the printer's hands before
the end of the year. I wish you
would come and pay us a visit, and
see yourself how we are getting on.
Why do not you & Mrs Jeffries are looking off
and we are again in a prosperous condition
after the lean years under Dr Rudolfs reign.
But I must close,
With our affectionate regards &
best wishes
Yours very truly
W. H. J. Weale

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(copy of a report sent in to the Governor).
7. About half a dozen Blue Books.
8. One number of the Diamond News printed at the Fields.

This year I have been very often thinking of you, and wondering what you are doing at Kanwari, in your island abode. You do not know, how much I should value it, if you could only send us a line to tell us how you are in health. A few mins anxiety it is to know, whether the box with duplicates and the other parcels reached you safely.—

I think I told you already of the birth of our little twin daughters on June 23, 1871, and of the death of one of them on August 17th. The other is flourishing, and so are our two other little girls of respectively 2½ and 8⅔ years. We are still living in Mowbray in the same house close to the Devil's Peak. This year we were again for a month (February) at Kalkbay. It did us all a great deal of good. I employed the time in collecting sea animals and sent a pretty large box with a dozen bottles of them to Jena to my cousin, Professor Ernst Haeckel. Last year I had sent a smaller collection, which he had valued very much, there being many new things and a great number rare ones among the specimens sent. Particularly the Calcispongia of South Africa had been hitherto entirely unknown, and he has done me the honor of naming one of this kind of sponges after me, in a work on Calcispongia in three volumes, which he is publishing this year. What we are doing with regard to Bushman, you will see from my report, of which I have enclosed a