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19 Dupo Town, 14 April 1871
My Dear Sir George, [C1871?]

At last I have an opportunity for sending you the books upon which you must have been waiting a long time.

The paddle steamer "Masthead" C. Shuterfield Commander, is the first direct opportunity which I have since I heard of your departure for New Zealand. This steamer will take the case as far as Sydney, and thence the Captain who resides at Sydney, will forward it on to you. In case it should not reach you, you will no doubt easily find the address of the Captain.

Besides the eighteen
volumes which the Library
Committ'ee has much pleasure
in returning to you, I have
added, with their permission,
any such books in
African Languages, of
which we had duplicates
and which are not comprised
in the above collection,
and which you may be
presumed not to have as
yet with you. A few other
small publications have
also been added. I am
sorry to say that we
have not, as you supposed,
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a duplicate of De Foe's "True
Born Englishman."

We were glad to hear
indirectly of your safe
arrival, and I trust that
the increasing opportunities
which, I understand, are
now to be given to
intercommunication
between Australia and
South Africa will also bring
you practically nearer to us.
May we not perhaps hope
to see you soon here?
You will have seen from
the "Athenaeum" that my
paper on the Australian
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languages was communicated to the British Association and one on the "Concord and the Classification of Nouns and the Origin of Pronouns, &c" was read before the Ethnological Society. I hope to see soon both papers printed.

Professor Huxley expressed also the wish to have my paper on the connection of the Papuan and Polynesian languages with those of Africa. You had mentioned this

this paper to him, and as the only complete copy of it is in your hands, may I remind of your promise to send it me, for the purpose of revision, &c. - You also wished me to remind you of your kind promise of sending us books from the Islands.

Our Bushman studies are well advanced, although during the last six weeks I have hardly done anything myself.

myself in this respect.

We have now two Bushmen with us, an old one and a young one (whose portrait I enclose); and they constantly are chattering in their monkey like speech. One of my wife's sisters, of whom two are staying with us, is already further advanced in the practical knowledge of this language, than myself, and as she has a far quicker ear, I shall have to trust to her observation in many ways. She is, of course, also

also able to devote more time to this study than I can. — We are all pretty well; only my wife ought to be stronger. She expects again to be confined in July next. We have just been for a month's holiday to Kalk Bay, and have been collecting in spirits all sorts of sea animals for my cousin E. Haeckel, Professor in Jena, and a great friend of Huxley's and a special one of Darwin's. The List of the Contents lies at the top of the box, I got from

from our Colonial Office
the Parliamentary Papers for
1868, 1869 & 1870. I do not
think you have any of them
as yet. - They gave me also
the Cape Almanac for
1871 for you. I have
also sent a number of
duplicates of pamphlets
of general interest referring
to Africa, Australia &
New Zealand, as I found I
had room for them.
But I must close. With
our kindest regards & best
wishes, believe me
my dear Sir, ever
truly yours
W. H. Jackson