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The Group Bedale Shury
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Dear Sir

Having been a wanderer in many lands without a settled place of abode for many years, I have seen but few of the late works upon subjects most interesting to me -

The proceedings of the Geol. Society, of which I am a fellow, have scarcely been within reach so I had of course read yours & Sir W. Logan's papers upon Sozoon long ago, but have not until now had the opportunity of reading your works - I have been doing so with very great pleasure and profit to myself - I write today

in consequence of having this morning
only, whilst studying the story of South &
man found your observations regarding
lost types, in which you quote three two
lines of Turryson's, from the verses
you do at length in the 'origin of the World'

I must explain therefore what must
seem a regular plagiarism in the paper
I took the liberty of sending you upon
the Pacific Region some little time ago -

My wife also copied the paper for me
when I told her just now of the circum-
-stance, & showed her your book, said
'oh I can well understand how annoyed
you must feel. to appear to have put
forward ideas so clearly suggested seemingly
without ack. acknowledging the source -

I am very fond of Turryson & those

Views I have often thought of - & the words
are so apt.

You will understand the matter
now I do not doubt, I regret very much ~~not~~
having had the good fortune to see your
books before. They strengthen me (& must
very many) so much in the conviction
that those are wise who prefer to stand
super vias antiquas. My old friend
Professor Owen, who succeeded very well when
I went to spend an afternoon with him
when last in London, is a pillar of
strength. so was Mr Clarke the acoustician
scologist ^{in excellence} ~~and~~ one of the most attractive
men possible, genial in manner & a
most amusing companion when he
was over eighty years of age.

Professor Darwin told me the
other day that he had sent him

out the notice of his having been made
an F. O. S. - I was at his house in Sydney
when he received it, he was then very un-
-well but the receipt of this unlooked for
honour made him quite take a turn for
the better, & made his last days brighter - Mr
DeWynne would know him well - I wish
I had had the pleasure of meeting you when
I was in Canada for some time ten years ago
& more. My wife's Uncle General Wyndham was
Jr. Command in Chief -

Spirit Station I sent you two other addresses
of mine from the Antipodes, as I did to several
(unknown to me personally) Men of science - One about
the Moa might be thought to give some interesting
information by you so I will send another the
one about the Pacific Region, also intended for Jerry
Austrian, was printed in a private little press
in a country village & was for the
Trust that you may quite see why I depend
upon your true Greeting I am
Yours faithfully
W. Lockhart Hood
Junior Carlton Club
Pall Mall
is my address which will always find me, when you are good enough
to send me a line