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My dear Sir

Many thanks for
your valued letter and
for your review of "Island life"

It is very interesting, and
like all your writings, (most
of which I have now read
carefully) most amply repays
me for its perusal - you
do your readers real good
by your firm tone respecting

Evolution and the materialistic
dogmas of the day - as well
as by the clear way in which
you put geological facts before
them -

I confess however to be
still wedded to the idea of
"Lemuria" - that is to say
that even the Himalayas &
are mere low rudimentary
Chacois, & the northern steps

and Afghanistan & to the
west, was under water, there
existed a large mass of
land to the south, with
peninsulas stretching down
below Madagascar, and the
Cape Lewin of Australia, with
a wide deep sea between
them -

I hope to be in
Canada ere long, and
shall hope them to have

The pleasure of making
your acquaintance personally

I dare say I shall see Mr
Wallace next week, he has
built himself a cottage at
Godalming, & is an enthusiastic
gardener.

Inclosed is the paper
with the evidence I could
collect about the recent ex-
-istence of the Moa, it was
printed at a village in N. Zea-
-land, which accounts for errors

the above address is
always to return me if you are
not ^{at} home of any time to
send me a line

Believe me

Yours very faithfully
W^m Woodhouse Wood