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Dear Sir William

It was very
kind of you to re-
member me on the
W. Year's day, and
to send me your
encouraging and helpful
pamphlet. It came
just as I was starting
for London, for the
weekly lectures I
am giving to the students

at the Y. W. C. A. Preparation
Home for lady workers.

I am giving a course of
12 lectures, the subject
being "Science as an
aid to Scriptural Study".
I make free use of
the beautiful ideal
sections describing the
probable formation of
the earth, in your "Story
of the Earth & Man".
I have been careful to
avoid any dogmatic
statements with regard
to evolution, as I feel
more and more, that
the ripe attitude for
the student of science,
is one of waiting the develop-

ment of discovery. I do not
see that Gen I is necessary
at variance with the
teaching, though the detailed
account of the creation in
in Gen II, is now difficult
to reconcile with it, especially
the formation of woman
after man, and the
judgment pronounced "in
the day that thou eatest
of ^{the tree} thou shalt surely die".
According to formation of
course the woman would have
been naturally developed
for some man-like animal,
and not miraculously created
for the use of the man. Also
death would have been
a natural end to life, as

it had already been in
the case of the lower animals
and would not have been
introduced by Adam's sin:
or could this "death"
have meant moral death?
I hope you will forgive
me for troubling you with
a long letter, but it is a
great relief to unburden
one's mind sometimes
to those whose wisdom &
judgment you can trust.
I wonder what your opinion
is of Mons d'Injot's re-
ported discovery of the
At Moi tribe of tailed
men in the Indo-Chinese
territory. If true, it would
seem to furnish the missing
link. Very respectfully
Wm. T. Kayser