Bowdler Sharpe Collection

Emin Pasha Exped^{n}
Yambuia Camp
Upper Albert Nyanza
C. Africa
Aug 16th/87.

My dear Sharpe

Just a hurried scrawl.

What a strange thing that Lane with Jameson. He of course has jotted down the few items of our movements, & our future prospects.

My health is very fair but I find my 3 years poring in these regions has taken some of my high spirits from me.

Damned annoying this. no food. We get nothing but a few plantains rice & biscuits. not a buffalo to be found. getting thin, sallow, disgusted with everything. want change. & good food. But we will get the old Emin, as long as our wind holds out, 'Blest' if he is not better off than we. undoubtedly so.

If you can drop a line do. to B. Consul Zanzibar to meet me when the long, long, tramp is over. I should be cheered up, if you would. like from such an esteemed old friend, after the trying journey I. P. Lane always trying to procure subjects for my pencil. I can assure you I have quite a number. print all to Mr Joseph Hatton, the novelist, to keep some. if you meet him, just tell him to fetch them out. & you can taste through some 2000 or 300 different things. Good bye old man till I get back when Jameson & I will shake your old arms off

Yours to the backbone Herbert.

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