Bowdler Sharpe Collection

Bty Clifton Hill N.W.
12th May, 1892.

Dear Dr Sharpe

I am going to dispose of my collection of Ceylon birds & now write to inquire whether you are likely to want any of them for the Museum.

The following good things may be worth your notice:-

2 Myiophoneus blighi = 1 ♂ ad. 1 ♀ juv. } Types
5 Blaphrornis pallidus
6 Muscicapa hyperythra 3 ad. 3 imm.
2 Brachypteryx leucophrys
2 Brachypteryx cinereus
3 Dasycrops cyaneus, including 1 type
3 Cissa ornata.

I have a great number of peculiar

Ceylon species, including cuckoos, barbets, woodpeckers, thrushes &c, but none of the Accipitres except Linn. ceylonensis = cristatellus, Temm.
also the only example of Hyps: sevorus (Horsf.) so far as I know, recorded from the island.
Kindly let me hear from you without delay, as I want to offer these birds elsewhere.

Very truly yours
F. W. H. Hasemann

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London, 2nd March 1881

40, Pall Mall, S.W.

Dear Sharpe

A Whistling Thrush (Turdus varius) was killed in Devonshire last January by a friend of mine, & I suppose you would like to have it for the British Museum. I shall try to persuade him to present it; but if he should be unwilling to do so, what would the Museum be inclined to offer for it? It is a good specimen. I write to you as I do not know whether Dr Günther is at work yet.

Yours truly

P. L. S. Sclater

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27 Ordnance Road
St. Johns Wood, N.W.
13th March 1875

My dear Sharpe

Your letter has been forwarded to me here - my new quarters *pro tem*. The owls are at your service whenever you like to have them. Perhaps you could take a stroll over Primrose Hill one day & see what I have, and take away

what you would like. If
so, you had better send me
a line to say at what time
you will call. Ordnance Rd
crosses Acacia Road just
below the barracks.
I have specimens of Strix, Hubna,
Ketupa, Ophialtes, Athene &
Minor.

very truly yours

F. W. H. Holdsworth