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Derby House,
Eccles.

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Dear Professor Jones.

I can't tell you how interested
I was in your paper in the last
number of the Zoological Magazine.
It is most valuable if you will
pardon my presumption in saying
so. I was going to make a collection
of the same class of facts but shall
send any I meet with to you. but
I hope you won't limit yourself to the
marine fauna but will extend
your collection of facts to the inclusion
of land animals & plants by

calamities and sudden epidemics
It is a most important element
about which I once wrote a paper
which interested Darwin and led
to our corresponding. I remember
once meeting you at the Museum,
Alas that one has to live in these
dark latitudes where one can see
so few people with whom one has
congenial tastes. I hope you will
see me down here if you can &
pardon my heresies in this
Zoological Magazine. Every man
must have his hobby.

With the compliments of the Season

I remain

Yours very sincerely

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