Bowdler Sharpe Collection

1 Langham Hotel,
19th Dec.

Dear Mr. Bowdler Sharpe,

I am sending You our last book. (Specially bound for You.) Kindly read it through, & if You have time & review it & send the letter. The reviews are so varied, a few full of praise & others full of abuse that it is difficult

for us to know what will
be the fate of the booklet.
We are off to Abu-Simbel
on Monday, going up the
Nile in the post boat.
We met a Dr. Hewett, I
think that was his name, a
friend of yours, 3 years ago in
Cairo. Such a pleasant man!
We may go to the Holy Land
in March, if so we shall meet
the Dervishes en masse, upon
them. — Professor Sayce

is going to spend 6 weeks deciphering
their inscriptions) at Rochester, where he
will be. Mrs Bass is at Aix-les-Bains
now. Best wishes for Christmas & the all
Believers new

Yours very sincerely
Clarence B. Bissell - Matthews

My husband has been ill with influenza
& so am I & we are both writing in bed.