

C/o G. P. O. ~~St. John's~~ ~~Bermuda~~
Ft. St. John

24 July 1906

My dear Mr. Thomas

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I have just finished
packing the things I got on Bermuda
island - I will write to let you
know what boat to expect them
by. As it won't come for some weeks
after you get this - most probably -
as I shall have to send them to

Fremantle first - The island is
16 miles by 3.

quite small, sandy & covered for
the most part with thickly with low
scrub - very like the mainland

I am sending you a list of the
mammals & birds - The two collections

and *Bellongia* swarmed on the island

In the case of *Lagostrophus* I have

never seen any animal - not even

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rabbits (considering the small amount of Duke to
Cree) in such numbers - It has also
been a particularly dry season and they the des
were very thin - The feed was evidently this po
insufficient for them all and dead wellies, as
was lying about in all directions, the island
would seem that they have no natural mainl.
enemies on these islands and they then a
have had to find an enemy that the low
island will carry no more ^{and in his of drought a number have died} of larger clothes two
was not so plentiful - These islands they are
very probably had a more recent connection with
with the mainland than Barrow island I don't
for instance - and to me the kinds I seen
had got scarce in the S.W. Do not had a
see the at all different, I believe around
Barrow island will be the most northern) far
range for all the three kinds - to the

There is yet land of from around here
is Echidna - although I expect I have
observed it also to land -

The Pitt Museum has a very old spec.
of *Peromyscus boylii* from Staten
Island (Bentham). The Uddes tells me
that there is a bandicoot there but
very few on the mainland - so that it
probably gets more plentiful further south.
The bandicoots skulld I found on Bernier
Island will probably be this kind, I have
a lot of trouble in trying to get a spec. of
it - but he is not yet got me - there is
one seen on the island - today after an
space of about 60 sheep - he had
fine cats there - and on a small
island like Bernier they have perhaps
thousands there at - but at some time

during this trip I mean by 2
Dentam - the one which was so
I hope to get it on Ditch Hasting island
a machine around there -

As regards the collection being on the
islands & not on the coast - I have
been told by several people here
that I would get a valley on the
coast south of ^{where it is all rolling} ^{and twisted by the sea -} Broome the Dampier
archipelago is said to be in the
(not wholly L. conopsea) on looking
up the border. The mainland form
does not seem to have been found
south of Roebuck bay. At the
same time it is funny that it is
so far south of the as Borneo island
& Dampier archipelago should have
similar types with nothing in the.

There is yet land of grass and there
is Echidnae - although I expect there
abundant in also the land -
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The bandicoots I find on Bernier
Island will probably be this kind, I saw
a lot of tracks in being by a sp. of
it - but have not yet got one. There is
one seen on the island - looking after a
flock of about 60 sheep - he had
five cubs there - and on a small
island like Bernier they have perhaps
thinned them out - but at some time

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out by dogs
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in getting from place to place -

Dugong - and mean to leave the inland
trip (for kangaroos). till my return from
it will so as to get to Rockham 1
Lancaster and back in a circle by
the northern railway - I write to
Mr Bolton, by the last mail - the
mail service is very irregular in the
N.W. so that opening letters will be
a long time ready your - mail ~~but~~^{all}
boats not likely regularly at the ports.
I have run out of Shark labels.
The climate up here at this time of
year is splendid not a bit
too hot or relaxing in the high
degree & I expect this will be
a nice trip this side of the river.
I am afraid there will be some time wasted
in getting from place to place -

Yours very truly
Guy Robertson

There is yet land of from and here
is Echidnae - although I expect some
abominations will also be here -

The Point Inneson has a very good spec.
of *Peromyscus boydii*: from Staten
Island (Benham). The Ussels tell me
that there is a bandicoot there but
very few on the mainland - so that it
probably gets more plentiful further south.
The bandicoots skunk I found on Bernier
Island will probably be this kind, I have
a lot of trouble in trying to get a spec. of
it - but he is yet for me - there is
one seen on the island - today after tea
I took of about 60 sheep - he had
five cats there - and on a small
island like Bernier they have perhaps
thousands there at - but at some time

Mammals - Bernier Is.

18 *Lagochestes leucurus*

8 *Lagostrophus fasciatus*

9 *Bellomys leucurus*

5 *Vesperugo* sp.

6 *Mus albocinereus*

4 *Mus musculus*.

1 *Lagostrophus fasciatus*

3 *Lagochestes leucurus*

} In spirits
preserved

3 *Bellomys leucurus* (1 sp. unborn).

14 Odd skulls.

1 *Delphinus delphis*? (skull)

1 *Peromyscus longirostris* (skull).

1 *Mus* (albocinereus - ?) (skull)

1 sp. of *Lagostrophus leucurus* and 4 *Peromyscus*
longirostris

Birds - Bermuda Is.

- 9 Colaptes auratus
- 3 Melaena cinerea
- 3 Zosterops goldi
- 2 Ptilopus minor
- 8 Hirundo neocoma
- 2 Anthus a. a. a.
- 4 Haemalopus unicolor
- 4 " longirostris
- 1 Ptilopus a. a. a.
- 1 Alcedo dominicus
- 3 Zenaidura macroura
- 3 Lanius ludovicianus
- 3 Agelaius phoeniceus
- 4 Zenaidura macroura
- 3 Sturna bergii
- 4 Larus minor hutchinsoni
- 2 Gygis alba
- 2 Puffinus pacificus
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1 Crotophaga sulcirostris (crows)
 1 Haliaeetus leucorhynchus (hawk)
 1 Pandion haliaetus (bird of prey)

1 sp. of Colaptes auratus sent to
 Prof. J. A. Rehn