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## Letter to John Wesley Cromwell, Sr. from Arthur Schomburg

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New York Aug 28/12

My dear Prof.

I thank you for the honor conferred in my appointment as a member of the Committee of Racial History. Please convey to the other members my sincere appreciation.

I am going to look carefully into Rawle's MSS. I think this is the same relation you read from the Enay. Brit. He showed us except the words "negro or mulatto slave". You read the story I am going to see where or why the story should differ now & then. "What's the use?" & Good.

re Meets

By that time I will have

ample good news, I will turn it over to Bruce for selection. He is <sup>(meets)</sup> going to take Coleridge days. So it will add much more to negro-pride.

I have never seen his report of the treaty with the Native Chiefs in West Africa except what Rollins' tells us. I have read his "Pinapia" which I saw listed at 2.50 not long ago yet to late to get a copy for Bruce who wanted one.

One of Delany's son is still at Wilberforce I had a letter from him not long since I think he is at present in Arkansas.

son will find something valuable re emigration to Canada etc in the Historical Soc. paper of Nova Scotia I can just remember

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but there is much extant; if you wish to dig into that subject will aid you.

I am also sending Lady Lugard's "Tropical Dependancy" as well as Gibson "The Story of the Zulus". these books will keep you busy.

The Knights Templars are "Nights Tenders". They are a ..... holy "funch" outside show, vanitas vanitatus, their heads full of Saps. The higher they have gone into the order, the more mysterious I have found the preceptors who are supposed to shed light instead they shed darkness & suppress one's touch the mystery & their gnorance, blind ignorance. Come on, they say only to find the

Haqira

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I received H. Martineau's Society in America 3 volume bound in half calf a not. condition for 75¢ Cusack's Black Pope & American "A Tribute for the Negro" "sold". I thought

I could bag one for you & the price made it a suggestion of impossible (must ask me 25¢) while there is life there is hope for one. I thought a quarter was the lowest price for a book dedicated to "Pennyton, Douglas & Cromwell".

I haven't seen Bruce for over a week he is missing his sick wife who is now

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much improved.

The books will be forwarded  
tomorrow by Xs which is  
more reasonable than mail

My kind regards to mother  
& daughter, I remain

Sincerely

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