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Leopoldville

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Dear Dr. Hiddlebreg -

It was very good of you to send me a book for my journey - and I certainly appreciate you thoughts & yours. As perhaps you know - my steamer packages were not put on board the Kronland through somebody's stupid mistake - but they were sent on another boat & I got the box here. Books are more than acceptable in the post of the word - We get mail only once a month - & the local paper contains nothing but advertisements.

I have had a very strenuous & exhausting journey since I've been you about on my return - but at least I am here & actually at work. At times, I think

that Leopoldville ^{must} ~~be~~ be on another planet. The

laboratory building is in the process of construction - but

the ground floor of 3 room is practically finished. There is no electricity at present. But the permanent equipment is fairly good. The director has charge of the negro hospital in which there are about 20 advanced cases of sleeping sickness undergoing the routine Atoxyl & Emetine treatment. 0.5 g Atoxyl on Monday. 0.1 g Emetine on

Thursday. I was given 3 relapses to begin on - a

most unfortunate type of case - but the next day, an

early untreated patient arrived. 2.0 grams of A63

cleared the cervical lymph glands of trypanosomes within

21 hours - & I am now waiting to see when a relapse

takes place. I hope to get ^{more} ~~the~~ similar cases

from the nearest epidemic center - about 500 miles away!

With best wishes - & renewed thanks for the work.

I am - Sincerely,
Louise Pearce