

quite a good a wriggler
as I am. - He is awfully
big & we did not see
him, which was a great loss.
I suppose you will have seen
some notice of Round Trip.
off Manillas: the friends
himself would not be able
to explain how to plant &
which got interested
in these 2 islands. - I
have just moved ^{from} ~~from~~ ^{from} ~~from~~
in to Greenwich; but we
as yet have little to an-
ker a slave. -

Yours affectionately
Ch Darwin

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March 15

Beckerham ^{John.}
~~Beckerham~~
Kent. S. C.

My dear Gray
You & Mrs. Gray have
been very good, & I thank
you for your letters &
enclosures. - If Mrs. Gray
ever learns anything authentic
about the nursing of her
dog, I am sure she will
inform me. - Two days ago
my wife used a paper
to me from Miss Mitford
life, minutely describing a
dog, which had been nursed

of a cat & what tickled its
paws! But as this is a
second-hand account, it
will not do to quote;
I a description of the
cat-like habits of this
dog was too much even
for my capacious gullet.
Whenever you hear any com-
= munication with a dog, or
hear him by radical
thoughts for his kind nature
& for his information, which
I much feared would
prove negative. I

will not do my heart the
I could feel the I demand
what Alex. H. says of me, &
we have just returned from
a walk in London, where we
went for a rest to me, as
I was pretty well worn out.
I find the man & dog
very interesting but ^{very} difficult;
& the difficulties of the mental
sense has caused me
much labour. But as
Horne disconcertingly says of
me, "He goes with wriggle
out of anything." But as I
tell him, he has become



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