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clay and paper to, but as it is not
with paper; for I have been
making a long series of experiments
trials. No human being will
believe what I write publicly
about the influence of the brain
of phosphorus of ammonia which
act. I began yesterday I found out
the *Trinucleus* Digest &
then abstracts and much more;
I know that this will good for
abstracts. I believe & interest, but
I am not in the midst of
by directions. ~

I began reading to Independence
quite quite greatly, & then

Jan 3rd

Dover,
Beckenham, Kent.

My dear George

I was rejoiced to see your hand-writing
again in your note of the 4th, of
which were above. I was
astonished to see announced about
a week ago that you were
going to write in relation an
article on me, & this morning
I received an advance copy.

It is the grandest thing ever
written about me, especially as
coming from a man like
yourself. It has deeply pleased
me, particularly some of your life

reminds, It is a wonderful
thing to me to like to see
my name coupled in any
fashion with that of Roberts
Brown. But you are a
bold man, for I am sure
that you will be pleased if
I net a few volumes.
I have never been so honored
before, & I hope it will do
me good & make me try
to be as careful as possible,
& good manners are difficult
accuracy is. I feel a very
proud man, but I hope this

writes last. — I would I
read your articles in ^{the} Nation
& fr. Chronicle, & my interestingly
were to me; but I could not
conceive, (as I read them first in
fr. Ch.) who could have
written them. What you tell
me about ^{the} Romania
question, beats even Becking!
I am now hard at work
getting my book on Grosses done
ready for printing, but it will
take some time for I am always
firing up new points to discuss.
I think you will be interested
by my mention in the Digest
put up in Grosses; the question
of the active living
Carbon as acid & some ferment
A

Down,
Beckenham, Kent.

I found it rather late Feb 2
Bos inhibited me, I
thought it was a fellow
thing, & I did not perceive it
was a boy till I came to
the woman. I had
heard before of the wolf
thing, & know not what to
think of these scintillating things.

When you hear of communication
with D. R. and with you
thank him much for the
kind of the 2 cos: I have been

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glad to see the account,
but it is too late
for use, as I have
finished correcting the
early sheets for a new
Edit. of the Descent. I
have been forced to say
that I do not feel so
confident about the
"Darwinische Anknüpfung" as
the German editors think,
as I was before. —

Give me kindest
remembrances to Mr.
Fry. My wife & self
have no form of
backgammon every evening &
I often think of the
struggle between you & Mr.
Fry. — My wife thinks
the outcome if I triumph
too much. —
My dear Fry

Yours gratefully & proudly
Ch. Darwin



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