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My dear Sir William,

It was very stupid of me to leave out the Fungus. I send it now. Please look at the empty spore cases as well as the full ones with a high power. It is very interesting. I send you also three rare ferns. We have not many in Tasmania but the species are abundant. I have just returned from a most difficult and I may say dangerous trip to Southport; over mere bridle tracks slippery and steep thro the mountains. It rained too and my horse fell hurting my left hand, both unpleasant addenda. But it was a most most interesting journey to me and will make the material of some good papers. With a small knife and a good Coddington<sup>i</sup> I made a series of observations on the lingual ribbon of some rare mollusca by vivisection on Pelican Island off Recherche Bay which I intend to publish in the *R.S. Trans* here.<sup>ii</sup>

I must really return to Southport ere I leave which will delay my venue (?) My kindest regards to Mrs. Archer. I shall be glad to see you all again. Love to Maggie and Grace and my blessing to all.

Yrs most try in the S. Heart,

Fr. Julian

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<sup>i</sup> Coddington lens - high power hand magnifier with a lens made with two convex surfaces.

<sup>ii</sup> "On Some Tasmanian Patellidae" Read 9th May, 1876. *Papers & Proc. R. Soc. Tas.* 1876, pp. 43-58.