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J.M.J.

Bathurst. 21.1.79.

Dear Sir William,

I left town the day after I heard you were enquiring for me<sup>1</sup> or I would have looked you up. Believe me that you are more to me than bushels of fossils so don't think I am forgetting you. I hope to be in town on Wednesday and will very probably dine at the Club and will then see you though I regret to say I must leave again for Rackley ( 140 miles) on Friday as I begin a mission there on Sunday. I hope you left Mrs. Archer and family quite well. God bless you.

Yrs as ever,

Fr. Julian.

1. After Archer 's dismissal as Secretary for Lands by the Berry Ministry in 1878 (Note 1 29/1/78) one of his attempts to secure permanent employment was as Managing Director of the Intercolonial Life Assurance Annuity and General Association (Limited), 247 George Street, Sydney. This venture was not successful. Archer seems to have been in Sydney in 1879-80 but in 1881 he is back in Melbourne applying (unsuccessfully) for the librarianship of the Public Library.
2. In 1879 both Rev. J.E. Tenison Woods and W.H. Archer are listed as members of the Australian Club (*Rules of the Australian Club, 1879*)