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26, ADAM STREET,

MANCHESTER SQUARE, W.

London.

6.4.99.

My Dear Emma.

My German has now  
grown so ~~to~~ rusty, that you  
will not be sorry to have a  
letter in English.

I do not know whether you are  
by this time back in Berlin.  
You can scarcely be still in  
Egypt; for the heat there  
must by now be unbearable.

I heard indirectly, through Griffith  
of the discoveries that you &  
Schäfer had made at  
Lisht. These will, I hope, be an  
account of them in the next  
"Zeitschrift", which is so long  
in appearing. But, beyond that,  
I have heard little of what  
has gone on in Egypt this  
season. The Exploration Fund  
has not done much, though  
v. Bissing writes that Naville's  
theory of the XVIII Dyn. may

prove the right one, after all.  
It would be a relief to have the  
question settled, once for all.  
A large number of Egyptian MSS.  
— though I don't know of what  
sort — have recently come to  
England & will probably go to  
Lord Crawford's Library.

Capart, from Brussels, was here  
last month & had, as usual,  
great difficulties with Budge,  
who did what he could to  
prevent his getting at what he  
wanted, — forbidding statues to  
be turned round, small objects to  
be taken out of their cases, papyri  
to be copied &c. &c.

Capart seems very wide-awake  
& enthusiastic. He tells me he is  
translating your grammar.

My catalogue goes on slowly. I am  
now occupied with the Jemé  
papyri, of which we have here  
between 60 & 70 in all.

I am also making a Catalogue of  
Lord Crawford's Coptic MSS.,  
(i.e. Tattam's collection). The

Arabic text of Severus gives me  
a deal of trouble. It is difficult  
to fix a standard <sup>or limit</sup> for corrections.

What alterations are necessary,  
what ~~are~~ can be omitted?

Do write and tell us of your  
experiences in Egypt, when you  
have time. My love to all your  
family. Yrs. ever  
W. Crum.