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**DFG-Projekt "Digitalisierung und Erschließung des Nachlasses des  
Ägyptologen Adolf Erman (1854-1937)"**

### **Brief von Walter E. Crum an Adolf Erman**

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The Chestnuts,  
Aldeburgh-on-Sea.

6 - 3 . 00.

~~Lieber Erman!~~  
~~Sie sind ein~~

No: I am "recovered of my  
leprosy", so there is no  
excuse for inflicting my  
German on you again.

You are a friend indeed, (as  
I had learnt long ago) and  
I am very grateful for  
what you have done: not

least for speaking on my behalf  
to C. Schmidt and obtaining  
from him such an amiable  
reply. I am writing also to  
him now, to thank him.

Yet I hesitate to send you the  
official acceptance of the  
photographer's terms; for I  
must say that M. 400  
seems to me a very high  
price for 130 photographs.  
I must suppose that your  
photographer (? Dames) has

not yet got the "rotary-bromide"  
process (Weiss auf Schwarz), which  
permits MSS. to be done at  
about 50 Pf. each. I have  
had the Brit. Mus. Copy. Ms.  
no. 171 (of my Catal.) photogra-  
-phed for a little over 100 Mk.,  
& it contained 174 foll. In  
that case, two leaves (or pages)  
were always photographed  
together, which greatly reduced  
the cost. Would not that be  
possible with your papyrus?  
My eyes are good enough to read  
a quite small format. That  
of the Br. Mus. Ms. 171

was 12 x 18 cm. for 2 pages  
together, and quite legible.

Although I shall have financial  
help here, I feel bound to  
try to get the work done at as  
low a cost as may be. The cost  
which you name is about 3 M.  
for each photo.

I only regret writing this, because it  
gives you further trouble. Could  
you not tell the photographer  
to communicate direct with me?

I am glad to get your support as  
regards overwork and illness: I  
shall quote you to my wife and  
friends.

Love to Peter.  
Yrs ever W.B. Lewis