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Dear Professor Ewan

It was a kind thought
on your part to send me
a letter of appreciation
in connection with my
Dream-book. It is indeed
a most interesting book, but
the main difficulty in
connection with it has
been, not its interpretation
but — its very existence!
It has been built up out
of hundreds of fragments

and these hundreds have been sorted
out of thousands belonging to
other manuscripts. Itchen has
helped me to reconstruct the
papyrus quite wonderfully, and
it is now an extremely
imposing and beautifully
written document. I have
sent back in his hands
the letter of the second,
shorter, late, which I hope
will interest you as much
as the first. Unfortunately
the beginning is lost, but
I think it must somehow

have told how Truth lost (or spoiled)
a knife or dart ($\text{D}1_{iii}$) belonging
to Falsehood, and offered to
replace it with one of his
own. But Falsehood would
not accept this offer, saying
that all the mountain of El
was in the lost knife as gold,
and all the cattle of Kari
were its leather binding. And
so he had Truth brought before
the tribunal of the Ennead
and blinded him.

I think you will be
interested with a little discovery
in late-Egyptian grammar which I
have recently made. I have
some half a dozen examples of 

