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Beckenham, Kent.

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My dear Dr Sanderson

I send registered by this post my M.S. on the habits of Dionæa. If you have patience to read it, you will perhaps find something useful for your lectures, as some parts seem to me curious. I have not attended to style, only to intelligibility, but I have endeavoured to my utmost to be accurate.

Please sometime to return

the M.S. as it will serve to be hereafter licked into shape. You must understand that my observations were intended only as complementary to those on Drosera.

If I were in your place, I shd get my wife to read the M.S aloud to me, but if Mrs Sanderson hears of this hint, she will say that I am an unfeeling wretch.

yours very sincerely

Ch. Darwin

P. S. My son Frank wd be delighted to attend as your assistant at your Lectures, if this wd be of any use to you.