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South Coast,
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South Africa.

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Dear Mr. Merrill,

In the course of my task of writing the life of the late J.H. Hofmeyr I have come across several letters from yourself and it appears to me that he and you must have discussed South African politics fairly thoroughly. Your letters show that you had a very good grasp of post war politics of South Africa. I wonder if you would be so kind as to consider the following questions?

- (1) What position would you say that Hofmeyr took up?
- (2) Did he show any anti-British feeling?
- (3) Did he ever discuss with you the other race questions of the country?
- (4) Did you know Paul Hubbell? His letters are very comical and I should like to get into touch with him if you know his address.
- (5) In what departments of Oxford life did you meet Hofmeyr? I would like to say who you were and mention your friendship with him, but the really important question to me is the political one and I would be very grateful for any information you could give me.

Yours truly,

President of the University of Chicago.

Dear Sir,

If the whereabouts of Mr. Robert Merrill are no longer known to you, I would be grateful if you would inform me.

Yours truly,