Letter to Joseph D. Hooker

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My Dear D^r Hooker

I took the liberty of addressing a box to your care for our friend M_Young of Limefield - West - Calder Mid Lothian. It contains the crania of two Hippopotami

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some bulbs and two small tusks - the bulbs especially one small species might be interesting to you and I shall [feel] obliged if you send the box with the other things to Mr Young's address at your convenience.

The box came

[0003] by the H. M. S. Narcissus and when I heard of it a few days ago was in the Custom House at Portsmouth.

I hope that your family and

your Father are
well & beg to
be kindly remembered
to them until I can
go out & pay my
respects in person .
I shall do so though

[0004] I suppose you are more frequently bored by vagrants than you relish .

I am &c

David Livingstone