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The Melbourne Coffee Tavern,
89 BOURKE STREET EAST.

Melbourne. 20th April 1883

My dear Padre,

You will have learnt I dare say, from my letter to George that I had been severely racked with influenza and diarrhoea - the latter complaint comparatively left me at the ~~begin~~ middle of the week under diet regimen, but the former has clung to me very pertinaciously and it is only today that I have experienced much relief from it. This unfortunate state of affairs has interfered with my peripatetics and I have not broused round so much as I have would have done otherwise. Since writing George I have done the Zoological Gardens and yesterday I went over Yarra Bend Asylum. The weather for the last 2 or 3 days has been very fine, but today there is a tendency

Yours truly
Geo. M. M.

to dust and heat. The weather
I believe on the whole is warmer
than is usual at this time of
the year. On Thursday night
Wisher the English chess expert
called for me and I accompanied
him to the German Lawn Verein
in Karlsruhe where they have lately
started a prominent chess club.
Some of the well known Welt-
chessplayers were there such as
Lueeman, Simpson, Agg, Hamel
and Loughran and I was
introduced to them by Wisner.
Wisher was the guest of the
evening and gave an exhibition
of simultaneous play. There were
7 chessboards arranged in the
centre of a large room and
Wisher walked up and down on
one side. He made his moves
with marvellous celerity, and at
the conclusion of the performance had
won all the games played some
16 or so with the exception of one drawn.

During the evening I played a
stormish with Simpson which
resulted in a draw.

I have not seen Mrs Webster
since last Sunday as mentioned
in my letter to George.

My principal object in writing
you this hurried note is to let
you know at the earliest moment
that I have accepted an offer
from Kungender Charley & Lockson.
The matter was arranged yesterday
and I have then letter this morning
requesting me to commence duties
on Monday morning next - The
situation is in the Com Law
Department, and there is a complete
understanding between us that I
am pinned to the practice here and
will have to learn a good deal -
It has been therefore arranged that
I shall start on such work as will
gradually lead me into the more
responsible position which they wanted
me to take at first. I start on a
salary of £125 p a, with a speedy
rise, of course, if things go satisfactorily.

