

## 'Baden Powell, General Sir Robert'

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17 April 1896.

BRITISH MUSEUM,

LONDON: W.C.

Dear Mr William

I hear you have two  
ornamented skulls from  
Ashanti in your hands,  
belonging to one Capt<sup>n</sup>  
Baden-Powell. I hope you  
Williams - I hope you  
will be good enough to  
impress upon him the  
importance of letting us  
have them - I take it

they are rather in our line  
than yours -

Your son made some  
very pertinent observations  
on an early painting last  
night at the Soc: Art:

I am overwhelmed with  
work at present - but  
hope soon to clear things



up somewhat.

Your very truly

Charles H. Read



BRITISH MUSEUM (NATURAL HISTORY),

CROMWELL ROAD,

LONDON: S.W.

Mr. C. H. Read,  
Keeper of the Ethnographical  
Department of the  
British Museum  
would be very glad to  
have these specimens!

July 1898.



TELEGRAMS: "SCOUTCRAFT, LONDON?"

TELEPHONE: 6854 GERRARD.

IN REPLY PLEASE ADDRESS

THE SECRETARY,

AND QUOTE 0.

THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION,

116, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S. W.

5th August 1913.

H. G. Tatham Esq.,  
Kendal Hall,  
Elstree,  
HERTS.

Dear Mr. Tatham,

I have been spending the week-end with the Chief Scout and he showed me some curious decorated skulls which he found in ~~a shanty~~ <sup>Ashanti</sup> during ~~the~~ expedition in 1905.

From the enclosed letters, you will see that the British Museum attached a good deal of importance to them, but I mentioned to the Chief the excellent Exhibition that Mr. Wellcome had got together and, if Mr. Wellcome would care to ~~buy~~ <sup>accept</sup> these Skulls to add to this collection, Sir Robert would be glad to ~~sell~~ <sup>give</sup> them to him.

~~The profits~~ <sup>proceeds</sup> would go to the Boy Scouts.

We personally are not intouch with Mr. Wellcome so the Chief was wondering if you would be good enough to approach Mr. Wellcome on the subject. The skulls are I believe extremely rare and are certainly most interesting.

Yours sincerely,

*A. W. Mason*



25 September 1913.

Dear Sir,

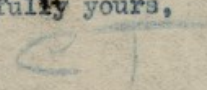
I am very sorry I was away when you called at the Historical Medical Museum this morning, but Miss Hogan has informed me of her conversation with you.

We should be only too pleased to have the skulls you mention for the Museum, if through your good offices Robert Baden-Powell would be willing to let us have them.

I think you are aware this Museum is to be a permanent institution in London, and as these skulls are doubtless of considerable interest they could not be placed anywhere where they would be more appreciated and of more value to students than in the Historical Medical Museum.

Thanking you very cordially for your kind interest and the trouble you have taken in the matter,

I am,

Faithfully yours,  


H.T. Tatham Esq.,  
Kendall Hall,  
Istree.  
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TATHAM, H. T.

Tatham



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THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION,

116, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S. W.

October 20th. 1913.

C. J. S. Thompson, Esq.,  
Historical Medical Museum,  
54a. Wigmore Street,  
W.

Dear Mr. Thompson,

I thank you very much for your letter of the 16th instant, and also for forwarding some tickets for admission to the Museum.

I am most grateful to you. and Sir Robert thanks you for your kind letter.

Yours sincerely,



H.M. 17

17 October 1913.

Lt.-General Sir Robert Baden-Powell, K.C.V.O., K.C.B.,  
The Boy Scouts Association,  
116 Victoria Street, S. A.

Dear Sir,

Please accept my apologies for being late in calling upon you yesterday. I was unfortunately detained at an important meeting in the city, and was unable to reach Victoria Street until a quarter to five.

I desire to thank you very cordially on Mr. Wellcome's behalf for so kindly presenting the two interesting skulls to the Historical Medical Museum. I need hardly say how fully we appreciate the honour you have done the Museum in making this valuable presentation, and we are deeply sensible of your kindness in so doing. I hope to have the skulls on exhibition today.

The Historical Medical Museum closes on the 31st inst. for a period of a few months for re-arrangement, and it will



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re-open in the spring in its permanent form. I trust you will be able to pay it a visit before we close, if only for a short time.

Again thanking you very heartily for your kindness,

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. V. C.

H. M. M.

16 October 1913.

Dear Mr. Wade,

I have pleasure in enclosing some tickets for the Historical Medical Museum for Sir Robert Baden-Powell's secretary whose name I unfortunately forget for the moment, and for any of your friends who you think would be interested.

I am enclosing a letter of thanks to Sir Robert Baden-Powell which I should be glad if you would kindly forward to him as early as possible, and the bearer will return you the bag which you so kindly lent me yesterday. I hope to have the skulls placed on exhibition in the course of the day.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

C. J. S. T.





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THE BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION,

116, VICTORIA STREET,

LONDON, S. W.

15th October 1913.

C. J. S. Thompson Esq.,  
54a, Wigmore Street,  
W.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter of September 25th, addressed to H. F. Tatham Esq., Sir Robert Baden-Powell asks me to inform you that he will be bringing the skulls to London tomorrow Thursday and if you can send a messenger for them to receive them on behalf of the Historical Medical Museum, Sir Robert will see that they are delivered.

I enclose correspondence on the subject which may be of assistance in identifying the Skulls.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

*all Wad*  
SECRETARY.



25 September 1913.

Lt. Gen. Sir Robert Baden-Powell, K.C.V.O., K.C.B., M.D.,  
32 Princess Gate, S. W.

Dear Sir,

I beg to enclose you under separate cover a copy of the guide book to the Historical Medical Museum which is to be a permanent institution in London. Should you be able to spare time to pay it a visit before the end of October, when it closes for re-arrangement until next spring, I feel sure you would be interested. If you would kindly ask for me when you call, I should have great pleasure in showing you any objects which may have special interest for you.

I am,

Faithfully yours,

For R Baden Powell