

BALINAKILL
CLACHAN
ARGYLSHIRE

Nov. 1. 1879

Dear Mr. Sanford

Just a line to acknowledge
and thank you for yours
of 29 Oct. enclosing cutting
from newspaper about Tea
Cultivation in America. We
must watch carefully what
is likely to come out of this
new industry. America
seems to grow everything all
the world wants!

With regard to Beardall
who ~~was~~ has been Superintendent

our road you perhaps don't
know that I offered to lend
him to the Association until
they could send fresh assistance
to Lambert. It would be
an unfortunate thing if
Lambert being alone was laid
up with the fever or worse if he
had to come away with me
or to leave behind. Beardall
being as it were at the spot
and being acclimatized &
acquainted with the language
I occurred to me in the

Emergency to name him as
available and my offer was
promptly accepted tho King
expressing hesitation in case
tho road should suffer, but
at the same pleased to know
that a good man was avail-
able in the shot in case of
need. I telegraphed Beaudell
re Uden to join the Belgian
Exploration party & place
himself under the orders of the
Chief whether Lambert or Popelin
That telegram will reach him
abt 12 Nov. I hope he will not
object to this change in his
employment. There is no

personal money to pay & I have
begged Strachan to obtain the
consent of the Committee to my
charging myself with Boarding
Salary while in their Service for
6 or 8 months leaving them
to find less ^{necessary} outfit and travelling
Expenses only.

I leave this on Monday
morning & hope to reach London
on Friday evening at latest
Alone to the Burlington Hotel
Old Burlington St
London

will find me. When shall you
be in London?

our united kindest regards to
Mr. Sampson & yourself
Very truly Yours
W. M. Beaumont