

specimens, for this purpose  
progresses I put aside for  
you the specimens, I prom-  
ised to send to you, and  
I shall send an instalment  
of them as soon as I have  
enough to send. With every  
good wish & much consideration

I remain

My dear Sir  
Yours most truly  
W Baurmann

Le Docteur Lecaze Duthuysen



2 East Mount  
St Leonard-on-Sea  
England  
July 18. 1869

My dear Sir

I thank you very much  
for the acceptable representa-  
tion of Yourself. I have a  
book appropriated to the  
portraits of eminent men  
of science in which it will  
be duly installed. My friend  
Mr H Lee will also be well  
pleased to receive one. His  
address is no 8 Holland St  
Blackfriars Road. London.  
Now to the sponge. It  
is *Hymeniacidon caunucida*

vol 2 p 166. Mon Brit. Sponges  
The sponge is very abundant  
on our South Coast and at  
the Channel Islands. It is  
one on which I carried on  
a series of experiments, it is  
a demonstration of the vitality of  
the Spongiadae & which  
are published in the Reports  
of the British Association  
for 1857 & 1858 & of which  
I send copies for yourself &  
M. M. Nyébe & Perier to  
whom they to be kindly  
remembered. and I also send  
copies of the first part of my  
monograph of the Siliceo-fer-  
-ous sponges, just published

by the Zoological Society, &  
which you will see how much  
information received from  
the beautiful specimens in your  
fine Museum and the kind &  
liberal manner in which you  
allowed me the use of them  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> part is in the press  
containing 5 more plates, sim-  
ilar to the 4 in the first part  
I am now very busy preparing  
a third volume of the Brit-  
-ish Sponges with figures of all  
the remarkable species al-  
-ready published and of a  
considerable number of new  
species that I have by me  
As the examination of the



my visit to your beautiful  
specimens

I have the honour to remain  
My dear D. Leclercq Dutheil  
with great consideration  
Yours most truly,  
F. S. Bowerbank



2. East Dacent,  
St Leonards on Sea.

23. April 1869

My dear Sir

I have a lively recollection  
of the kind and liberal manner  
in which you received me in  
Paris, and of how graciously you  
placed all the valuable and  
rare specimens of your rich  
collection at my disposal for  
examination; and in due  
course you will find how  
much important assistance  
I received from the privilege  
of investigation thus confer-  
red upon me, as I have re-  
cently had a paper read at  
the Zoological Society of London  
descriptive of 16 species of —

Siliceo-fibrous Sponges, and  
of which I will send you  
Copies as soon as I receive them  
from the Society. The two  
parts of the paper will be  
illustrated by 9 plates, of  
Microscopical tissues.

Now to the especial purpose  
of your letter. I can assure you  
it will give me great pleasure  
to render you any assistance  
in my power. I cannot send  
you specimens of every spe-  
cies described in my Mono-  
graph of British Sponges, as  
many of them are unique,  
and so are some of the types of  
the Genera. But I will go over  
my stock of Duplicates and  
I will endeavor to send you  
types of as many of the Genera  
as I can and also specimens of  
as many of the most illustrative

species as I can. With the kind  
assistance of my good friend Mr  
H. Lee who was with me in  
Paris I shall also be enabled  
to help you to some illustra-  
tive mountings of parts of  
sponges to illustrate their or-  
ganic structure by the micro-  
scope; such as peculiar forms  
of spicula and their modes of  
arrangement in the animal.  
I can assure you I shall feel  
proud that my specimens  
will be in such good hands, and  
that they may become useful  
to one who has advanced Sci-  
ence so eminently as yourself  
I should have written to you  
earlier but I also have been from  
home. Pray remember me to  
my very kind friend Mr Myer  
who so kindly assisted me during