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Dear Miss Becker

I have never heard  
of such a beetle as you describe  
and as there are about 100,000  
different kinds of beetles already  
known it requires a very full  
description indeed to recognize  
me. Many beetles eat little or  
nothing in the perfect state &  
will live months without food, but  
they then die. If the gentleman  
who possesses the beetle wishes to  
know all about it, he should  
write to Robert Salmon Esq. F.R.S.

Hawksfold, Fernhurst, Hastemere.

Mr. Saloni has travelled & collected  
in Central America, & is now  
bringing out an immense work on  
the Natural History of that region,  
& would know about the matter, if  
any one in England does, - & if  
not would ~~at~~ no doubt be  
glad to describe & figure it in  
his work.

Believe me

Yours very sincerely

Alfred V. Wallace