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18 February 1972: Giant! Godblindyou! You throwing lashes leff and right, eh? All-you all right, bo'. (Lionel Hutchinson drop in last week, talk my arse off till five in the morning, after I had just stay up with three other frienns drinking some bad jamakian rum and some scotch, and I had just throw a souce in their arse, so they leff me broke and dry, but merry.)

I glad as arse that Ismith going mek a thing with you; and when yuh coming down tell me, so I could rush back to Toronto and put yuh up on yuh way down or up. Don't forget, and even mek a souce thing for you and the family.

I senning you this letter from this motherfucker here who is the director, after I axe the bastard for \$800 for Lamming and Paule Marshall to give a thing here, so you understann how I can' even pick my fucking teet to you in regards o' inviting you down here, not even for a rass-hole cockfight, eh?

I axe Helen Jackson (and she say yes) to senn you some reviews o' Lamming book; the man at Holt, Rinehard & Winston senn me a copy o' the review and I senn it back down here to get the secretary to copy it and senn it back 'long up there to you: Cunneen who Is Lamming contack at HRW, senning you a hard cover o' NATIVES OF MY PERSON. I want you to turn round and senn me a hard cover thing O' BERRIES IN THE WATER. 'Cause I just hear that it come out up there.

This letter long like you letter. Tek that! Salaam, through; love still, Austin