

Letter to John Washington, 4 September 1862

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Johanna 4th Sept^r 1862

Dear Admiral Washington

I wrote a note
today advising you that it had
been necessary to draw £50 from
Captain Gardener of H.M.S. Orestes
but I ought to have said £100 for
I found that I had to pay the
late Johanna crew of six men
£115-8 for 15 months service.
then having engaged 10 new
hands at the same rate, namely
28 shillings per month and £2 or
£3 more per annum to the
headman of the party I had to give
2 months advance or £28.
Then I had to buy paint oil &
turpentine - pitch to caulk the
vessell fresh meat & vegetables
about £23 [& advances to the men] and had only
£100 from the admiral to do
all this with. the full particulars
will be sent in next years
account. I only wish to advise

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you of the £100 and as this is to
be sent by way of Mayotta - the
other by Mauritius I may repeat
that we have come here on our
way to Rovuma to spend
the months between this and
the flood of December in boat
exploration of that river. We
were obliged to come with our
Johanna men and to get others
Three whites are sent to the
flag ship. One Charles Neale
to be invalided home - all
good men but frequently sick
We shall leave Rovuma
about the beginning of Dec^r

for this & Zambesi and
I hope to report success to you
I need say nothing to you
about our anxiety to get an
outlet of our own to Lake
Nyassa.

John Pennell Lead^g St^r
desires to remit (£10) - Ten

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pounds to M^r H. Fieldsend
N^o 7 Spa Terrace
Barnsley
Yorkshire.

the money to be drawn at the
excise office there as there is no
bank I hope it may be convenient
to oblige him as he is a very well
behaved man.

We are at present all in very
good health. the Orestes tows
us over to Rovuma that
being in his way. Our despatches
go to Mauritius by him
this may come sooner to hand
Lady Nyassa is launched &
in charge of Macleod & Reid
at Shupanga

I am Dear Sir

Most truly yours

David Livingstone

Could our letters not come overland
to care of the Governor of
Mauritius to be forwarded to Johanna

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We exchange David Gwillam
Q^r M^r for another. His advances
of pay amount to £5 - and
account is to be sent to the
Flag Ship