

## Letter to John Kirk 2, 27 November 1864

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What tree is it with  
which the bitter bark  
corn selpes are  
made by the Badéma  
(Zandia's people)  
What is the name  
of the Sensi - the  
little animal they  
used to burn out of  
the islands -

    Could you make  
an errand to the  
Colonial Office to  
find out Col Rigby,  
despatch anent

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    Roscher's discovery.  
I think I asked you  
before - but I fear  
he would communicate  
with India or the  
Indian Office - Cap<sup>n</sup>  
Oldfield cannot charge  
his memory as to  
whether he recieved  
his information from  
Roscher or second hand  
I have set Agnes to look  
up the original letter  
of Oldfield to me -

    Before you come  
down will you give  
Murrays artist a loan  
of the photograph of

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the Baobab the grave  
& Shupanga house  
to form with the fig  
tree one picture

I have only the Baobab  
and grave here.

I think Oswell  
only saw the Poku &  
it was not shot till  
afterwards. I think  
it is a kobus but  
dont recollect distinctly  
It is half brother to the Leche - a thorough  
water buck - D<sup>r</sup>  
Gray (costume delle)  
has made Reade's  
striped Island areas  
Derbyana - Reade  
Says it is called Djikijunka - a nice  
name. I saw harte beasts West of the  
Lake a little less in size than sows

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My Dear Kirk

I put a question  
or two down just as I  
thought of them - I thank  
you for the compliment  
you pay to my name  
If you can come you  
need not be afraid of the  
meeting. Webb will say  
a little. You too if there  
are anything African  
& I conclude - that is  
all. Webb thinks Bjouk  
a good place for the  
like of you as there is  
no good medico there  
and that you ought not  
to be thrown away