

## Letter to John Murray III, 17 June [1857]

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[0001]

Hadley Green

17<sup>th</sup> June

My Dear M<sup>r</sup> Murray

I return the drawings  
with the titles corrected  
If not too late the  
burdens of the carriers  
at Loanda could  
be improved if put  
thus If not

troublesome the  
man of the woodcut

[0002]

of the rocks of  
Pungo Andongo  
might drag those far  
back a little more  
into line & not  
copy the figure  
intended for me  
from Andersons  
work with a gun  
under my arm  
He makes me look  
black like a Hottentot  
if he bent the horns

[0003]

of the ox down & took away  
the gun it would not  
look so like  
imitation of Anderson  
I am not anxious  
about it however  
and if it will be  
any bother I am  
content

I submit to your  
judgment other three  
drawings which are

like the head dresses

[0004]  
of the Balonda and  
Bashukulompo.  
If they will do for  
woodcuts in the  
page - I send the  
whole by M<sup>r</sup>  
Wilbraham Taylor  
1 Robert St.  
Adelphi, Strand  
where I shall feel  
obliged if your  
man calls tomorrow  
I have two pieces

[0005]  
of Manuscript since  
I saw you last but  
one is not quite  
recopied by my  
next door neighbours  
They will be at  
Robert St. on  
Friday. they  
contain more than  
when written by  
myself, and are  
probably more correct  
as I go over them

[0006]  
after my amanuensis  
Do you know  
Prof. Andrew  
Buchanan's works?  
He was my professor  
in Glasgow and  
I believe he would  
lend a hand when  
it comes to the  
revision as he  
is a great friend  
of mine

[0007]  
I am informed  
by D<sup>r</sup> Daubeny  
that they propose  
the degree of D.C.L.

for me at Oxford  
This will look  
well on the  
title page  
Yours Ever  
David Livingstone

[0008]  
The Egyptian cast of countenance  
is correct. I was struck  
by the close resemblance the  
faces on the mummy cases  
bear to Sekeletu's mother!  
& others. Adams sends me  
three copies of his letter, they  
threatened the editor of the Record with the law for what  
he said about it.

[0009]

Just glance please at his  
arithmeticthe concentric  
rings of a tree are of course  
counted from the centre or  
semidiameter. He does not know  
that but counts the diameter.  
Then a man at forty sees 5 ceremonies  
10 would of course make him double  
or 80 & one more or even about 90  
Your man says he would then be 26!!!

[0010]

the text  
In shooting by night  
animals are more  
frequently wounded  
than killed. the flowing  
life stream increases  
the thirst so that they  
come slowly up to  
drink in spite of the  
danger their feeling  
is "I must drink  
though I die"  
Slip 102

[0011]

the emasculation  
In shooting by night  
animals are more  
frequently wounded

than killed: the loss  
of the flowing life  
stream increases the  
thirst so that in  
desperation they come  
slowly up to drink  
in spite of the danger  
appearing as it were,  
to feel that they must  
drink, even though  
they were to die for it  
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[0012]