

Letter to Charles A. Alington, 18 February 1865

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My Dear M^r Alington
From what
you say in your
second note
about the box I
have no doubt but
it belonged to poor
Thornton and
you had better send
it on to his brother
George Thornton
39 Great Horton Road
Bradford-

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At first flush I thought
one of our long -
lost four has turned
up but from its
coming by Orestes
it must have been
slipped by mistake
out of M^r Youngs
charge.

After recieving
your note I got a
letter from M^r John
Moffat in Mos-
ilikatze's country
The old man has
lost much of his
influence but does

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not use it against
the mission as he
once did. They are
free to speak and
preach as much
as they like. He has
still a great number

of cattle & people.

I wish to get an opening into the country North of the Portuguese, possibly by the Rovuma. and if you will go in & occupy after that you may do a good work. the work I do will be afoot chiefly - but

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nearly all new - I get a good many offers of service and from some odd people - Shall I hand over a lady's application to you. The book will be out I hope in a month or six weeks

I have not heard a word of M^r Ferraõs son. Senhor Tito is dead. Zulus went across the Zambesi at Shigogu some 30 years ago & up to Nyassa's Northern end. Can you speak Zulu The Arabs call The Manganja Wa Nyassa & the Agawas or Waizau call them

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so too. It is probably the derivation - the elephant marsh was called Nyanjamukuru and that near Moranubala Nyanja ia motope (or mud) or Nyanja Spangous The Portuguese ministry now claim the discovery of Nyassa properly Nyanya on the ground that the

people of Senna
sailed into the Great
Hetta lakes (These
names imply - the
cataracts were not within

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way it seems of old
I dont know about
the three breasted
woman - but a
female general of
Zulus of old did
wonders up at &
beyond the Zambesi
There are lots of
the spider you mention
in the Bechuana
country. When the
door is open you
know he is out
he is a formidable
looking fellow

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the horns may be
those of the Pallah
but you dont
shew the twist of
the Pallah - In front
it is a little
harpshaped

There is Angus'
buck in that
quarter too

Cold enough here
I assure you &
snowing as if it
would never tire

I am yours &c
David Livingstone

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