

## Letter to John Murray III, 13 February 1865

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Newstead Abbey  
13 Feby 1865  
My Dear M<sup>r</sup> Murray  
Fearing that I could  
not make my meaning  
clear as to the mode of  
putting the poison on the  
arrows I got Waller  
to draw the enclosed for a  
wood cut. I have the  
promise of the paper  
by D<sup>r</sup> Kirk & Prof. Sharpey  
on the poison which  
is very virulent - gives  
an alkaloid like  
strychnine which  
seems to act by lowering  
the pulse - Kirk by an

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accident took a little &  
it lowered the pulse &  
cured him of a cold - the  
paper will do for the  
appendix. C Livingstones  
birds & insects are  
preparing in British  
Museum for the same

I am directed by M<sup>rs</sup> Webb  
to say something kind to  
you for her. So I say  
your promise to visit  
this Newstead is not  
forgotten for I have several  
times been asked if I thought  
you would come. We are  
to have a large party this  
week - My brother is safe  
as far as Sierra Leone

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