

Letter to Unknown, [1 September-31 December 1859]

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This is to be returned to the Bp of Oxford
Private I feel every day more and more
impressed with the idea that a colony of
our own hardworking christian people
is the only means that will put a stop to
to the slave trade entirely - and render us
independent of the produce of slave
labour. this is the land for cotton &
sugar - and yet the few Portuguese here
export the labourers to a worse soil
I don't like to say much before hand
but in July we return to the Lakes &
I believe to open up the whole of Eastern
t.o.

[0002]

Africa but my heart is really sore to think
the Portuguese stand in the way. they have
an idea that a company will be formed
and they as masters of the soil will become
rich without taking their cigars out of their
mouths. If you can do anything towards
bringing the idea of a colony prominently
forward you will perform a great
service. I mean a Christian colony. A
bodily transplantation of all our peculiarities
as a Christian people and for a specific
object, bending all our energies to the extinction
of the trade in the bodies of menD Livingstone