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My Dear Waller

We have got rid of our boat ater succeeding in getting it nearly past all the cataracts - on Monday we should have passed all but having gone some 3 miles in the river in charge of the Makololo who are A.1. in rapids. they found it impossible to go farther - coming on shore they told me so and I called back all hands to carry her by land when five of these Shapanga men jumped in without my knowledge - they would take it past of course and the next thing I saw was the boat floating bottom upwards as soon as they saw danger they took care of (N^o) One & away went our hopes over the cataracts - with a good

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deal of property in her - the Makololo & some Ajawa ran along the bank like good fellows but she never came in sic gloria sailing on Nyassa transit

The Ajawahave behaved capitally - It has been a hard job - for she was heavy. I wish them to be paid exactly as if they had fulfilled their intentions of launching the boat which they would have done in two days

above the cataracts. To
Mulolo and Maluchu give
3 (lbs) of powder each - and
let one of the bags of shot
which are a little more
than half full be divided
between them - also 100 bullets
and ten flints each - Give
them full allowance of
cloth - a fathom more than
was promised if you
think it right to exceed the

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bargain - 5 brass rods of course and the beads knives - looking glasses & whatever else I promised Give more to the headmen and [divide] [the wages of the seven for 6 days say I suppose a third of the entire wages. Make them content at whatever cost - I would like to give the headmen Mulolo and Maluchu and Kamualakwinda if he is a headman - a present when I return which need not be promised

If you can come up to the ship & manage this business satisfactorily I shall feel much obliged

Ever with Affection

David Livingstone

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Horace Waller (Esq.)