

## Letter to Peter Le Neve Foster, 8 December 1864

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My Dear Sir

About Dec<sup>r</sup> 56  
or January /57 a  
lecture was delivered  
by Prof. Owen on  
Ivory in the  
rooms of the  
Society of Arts  
and I had the  
[0002]  
pleasure of hearing  
it. My impression  
is that he said  
that the number  
of tusks brought  
into the market  
of the world warranted  
the belief that  
38 000 elephants  
were destroyed  
annually. As  
you have the  
lecture quotably  
[0003]  
at hand would  
you oblige me by  
saying if my  
impression is  
correct and oblige

Yours Most Truly

David Livingstone

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