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My Dear Sir

I thank you
unfeignedly for
your long and
interesting letter and
am sorry I cannot
find time to
imitate your good-
ness by a suitably
long reply

I am busy with my book a pamphlet
publised is not mine
[0002]

With no one did I
anticipate a more
interesting meeting
than with my late
beloved father and
with no one would
I have enjoyed more
the pleasure of con[-]
versing on my
adventures and
labours than unto
him but it is not
our will but that
of the wisest best
and kindest that
[0003]
must be done. Good
is the will of our
most gracious Lord

My arm about
which you kindly
enquire is quite
well except a joint
too many - no
pain or uneasiness
but a want of stead-
-iness in shooting
welding (i.e. in
holding the iron
steadily on the anvil
and carving
[0004]
no operation has
been performed &
I fear there is no
time for any as I
must fulfill my
engagement with
my African attendants
One privelege of the
making the Livingstone
name great is the
getting more work
in scribbling than
one mortal man
can do.

May God
Almighty bless and
comfort you

D. Livingstone

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