

## Letter to Henry Toynbee, 22 August 1857

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Hadley Green

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My Dear Sir

I was absent untill  
now 8 P M. & fear there is  
no chance of this reaching  
you tomorrow. I shall leave  
or send to be left on Monday  
morning Maclears work  
so far as I have it, your  
own work and my  
observation book, at 3  
Royal Exchange buildings  
But I have not any Nautical  
[0002]

Almanacs by me. The observation  
book is quite a mass of  
confusion. It contains in  
fact a history of my gropings  
in calculating my positions  
in the most simple humdrum  
manner. I fear most the  
errors which must have  
arisen in transcribing. The  
slips of paper put in were  
for the Astronomer Royal  
and indicate those I have  
most doubts on. Arrowsmith  
promises to give his deductions  
One at Kalomo & another  
near the confluence of  
Kafue & Zambesi seem  
[0003]

erroneous, and he says that  
from Tete downwards all are  
too much to the Westward. His  
mean of all my observations  
(12) at Tete make it 33° 33'

How many pages will  
it require? I have not spoken  
to Murray yet but am very  
much gratified & obliged  
by your undertaking this  
labour. If the bulk is  
too much for the boards  
of the book then the R.G.S.  
will do that work but  
I suppose the sooner they  
are published the better  
If you could give me an  
idea of the bulk I should  
[0004]  
speak to Murray at once.  
Pray let me know before Wednes-  
day as I go off to Dublin on that  
day or on Thursday.

I am quite at a loss for  
Nautical Almanacs for  
I am not acquainted with  
any of the Societies except  
the R.G.S. and I believe  
D<sup>r</sup> Shaw is off on Monday  
for Dublin But I shall  
try.

I am Dear Sir

Most truly yours

David Livingstone

I shall send to  
Pimlico

Captain Toynbee