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My Dear Captain Washington

It has occurred to me since parting that the horse power of M<sup>r</sup> Laird's vessel is too small. It would be sorry thing for us to be unable to stem the current in the only steamer the [0002]natives ever saw. Rennies are with two engines each having 10 H.P. and they do on the Thames nicely. I mention this if it is not too late - and am

yours truly

David Livingstone