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[0001]

Hadley Green

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My Dear M^r Murray

I return the drawings with the titles corrected If not too late the burdens of the carriers at Loanda could be improved if put thus If not

troublesome the man of the woodcut

[0002]

of the rocks of Pungo Andongo might drag those far back a little more into line & not copy the figure intended for me from Andersons work with a gun under my arm He makes me look black like a Hottentot if he bent the horns

[0003]

of the ox down & took away
the gun it would not
look so like
imitation of Anderson
I am not anxious
about it however
and if it will be
any bother I am

content

I submit to your judgment other three drawings which are like the head dresses

[0004]
of the Balonda and
Bashukulompo.
If they will do for woodcuts in the
page - I send the
whole by M^r Wilbraham Taylor
1 Robert St.
Adelphi, Strand
where I shall feel
obliged if your
man calls tomorrow
I have two pieces

[0005]

of Manuscript since I saw you last but one is not quite recopied by my next door neighbours They will be at Robert St. on Friday. they contain more than when written by myself, and are probably more correct as I go over them

[0006]

after my amanuensis
Do you know
Prof. Andrew
Buchanan's works?
He was my professor
in Glasgow and
I believe he would
lend a hand when
it comes to the
revision as he
is a great friend
of mine

[0007]

I am informed

by D^r Daubeny that they propose the degree of D.C.L. for me at Oxford This will look well on the title page

Yours Ever

David Livingstone

[0008]

the text

In shooting by night animals are more frequently wounded than killed. the flowing life stream increases the thirst so that they come slowly up to drink in spite of the danger their feeling is "I must drink though I die"

Slip 102

[0009]

the emasculation

In shooting by night animals are more frequently wounded than killed: the loss of the flowing life stream increases the thirst so that in desperation they come slowly up to drink in spite of the danger appearing as it were, to feel that they must drink, even though they were to die for it P.102

[0010]

Just glance please at his arithmetic the concentric rings of a tree are of course counted from the centre or semidiameter. He does not know that but counts the diameter.

Then a man at forty sees 5 ceremonies 10 would of course make him double or 80 & one more or even about 90 Your man says he would then be 26!!!

[0011]

The Egyptian cast of countenance is correct. I was struck by the close resemblance the faces on the mummy cases bear to Sekeletu's mother! & others. Adams sends me three copies of his letter, they threatened the editor of the Record with the law for what he said about it.