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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 goodness 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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