

## Letter to Edmund St. John Garforth, 16 March 1866

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Lieut Garforth R N

Commanding H.M.S. Penguin

Sir have the honour to bring to notice the state of the Expedition which I am entrusted by H.M. , & to beg you to take with your kind consideration a view to render us what may be in your power.

We were detained a long at Bombay waiting for the of War appointed by the to convey us to the Coast - that detention was so injurious to us as that which have suffered here, for though whole party has been provided

[0002] for by His Highness the , many of us have severely from fever

& all are daily becoming much less fit the arduous duties us - This deterioration solely from want of in an unhealthy - and if we remain longer I fear that we be obliged to abandon work entrusted to us by .

In addition to the failure of in ourselves personally have lost ten beasts of - others are sick & as I know nothing more conducive

[0003] recovery for ourselves & than active Em-I crave the of your assistance far as the Rovuma

& I earnestly hope that aid which you can most render, may not interfere with your duties on the coast. the uniform readiness which the Admiralty always granted me the assistance in their I feel positive that Lordships would promptly of your lending me a hand -

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I have the honour to be most obedient Servant

David Livingstone

H.M. Consul

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