Letter to John Murray III, 20 January 1865

Livingstone, David, 1813-1873

Published by Livingstone Online (livingstone online.org) [0001]

 20^{th} Jan /1865

My Dear M^r Murray

I send you by todays Book Post 550-669 pages Manuscript and I shall now get to revision as quickly as I can -I have still a journey to Lake Nyassa alone to write & a note [0002]about the voyage to Bombay and will lose no time I ought to have been off ere now - though I have every comfort that I can desire here I often take a sore longing to be in Africa My family is my only chain

I recieved the plates & will attend to your suggestion [0003]
I was informed by M^r [Young] of the £44 17 but did not think of acknowledging it myself - that is the channel I wish anything you may have to give me to go through and

am &c

David Livingstone [0004]

The artist seems to have succeeded very well but I should like the Baobab more like the Photo - as it is mentioned in Com. Owen's book as 60 feet in circumference - the Fig tree in the middle & Bombax trees behind the house are very characteristic in their shapes & I have put a note in pencil on the enclosed drawing to that effect