

## Letter to Horace Waller, 28 November 1863

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[0001] Murchuson's Cataracts

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My dear Waller

The bishop gives  
me a different idea of  
the affair of the women  
and children. He wishes  
to avoid mixing the  
sexes on the station &  
after our Magomero  
experience with both  
English and Heathen  
I think the precaution  
a very wise one. I shall  
either take measures  
to have them supplied  
from M<sup>r</sup> Ferra's till

[0002]

they can raise a crop  
or take them to Johanna  
I have but little wish to  
make them Mahometans  
for my late experience  
of these Johanna men  
gives me a very low idea  
of their morals. If the  
boys were not taken up  
I would willingly have  
gone to the expense of  
sending all to the Cape  
in the hope that good  
bishop Gray would make  
something of the boys.  
but I dont wish to  
appear as if acting in  
opposition to the bishop  
of his mission. It is a

[0003]

pity that you separated  
yourself from them  
for you might have been  
of great service by your  
experience and they

might have been useful  
to you in various ways  
I came home here on  
31<sup>st</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> pretty tired  
after marching as the  
crow flies 660 geographical  
mile[...] about 1400  
of [...] friend Steward's  
standard miles - We  
are waiting anxiously  
for the rising of the  
waters - all very well  
thanks to a Higher Power  
We are all ready -

[0004] I have little time to write; as  
I hope to see you soon it  
feels as if a work of  
supererogation - We send  
away a few Shupanga  
men as our native  
food runs low. Your  
friends from the hills came  
down with reinforcements  
and with the Mission  
Ajawa & [...] Makololo  
drove Mank[...] on to  
an island & bo[...] his  
village - two on each side  
wounded so saith vox  
populi - with every good  
wish I am &c  
David Livingstone

lost a Johanna man yesterday  
by a crocodile