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My Dear D^r Hamilton

I delivered myself
of a paper at Malta
but the cholera was
there and as the
production was
very "seedy" I fear
it fell a victim -
for I have heard
nothing about it
since. I thought
of writing you
a sketch of my
impressions of
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India today but
I am too near post
time now for any
thing of the sort
and as I am going
off to Zanzibar
in a few days I can
send you only a
gossiping little note
You might let me
know how you all
are for you very soon
will not be able -
I shall soon dive
into that darkness
which broods over
the region west of the
Rovuma and may
[0003]

wear away to the
land of the Val &
never come back
I am going in a few

days in a small
steamer sent as a
present to His Highness
the Sultan. He was over
here and gave me
a Firman and carried
the buffaloes for me
in one of his ships.
the buffaloes are to be
tried as beasts of
burden & an
experim
ent to see if they with
stand the bite of the
Tsetse - the Governor
is an excellent man

[0004]

would like to go with
me himself were he
20 years younger - would-
nt you if Mrs Hamilton
could spare you from
home consumption
I have seen many Irish
Presbyterian bretheren
& found them rather proud
on hearing that D^r H.
was editor of the Evang.
Christendom. You send
it to them all. I am more
than a Presbyterian - a
highchurch Independent
Baptist lowchurch
Presbyterian jack of all
trades &c. If you send
it address care of Lennox
Conyngham Esq. Foreign
Office it will come free
someday & so do all letters. My love &
kind remembrances to you all
David Livingstone
not forgetting Aunt Julia & Lady Price