

## Letter to John Washington, 21 May 1862

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My Dear Captain Washington

I wrote you before of the attempts of the Governor Mozambique to extend their to the Rovuma - feel so anxious that you know about it that case my previous letter have miscarried I trouble again.

the Governor [G.C.] said to M<sup>r</sup> that he was not very well up at Zanzibar when went up to "extend their " the ipsissima verba employed. He wished the

[0002] Sultan to agree to Rovuma being the boundary instead of

Cape Delgado but Col Rigby's prevailed to prevent weak Sultan from agreeing what is evidently intended to us. the word "extend" what the best informed think of our friends

Arrowsmith & Macqueen's dicta the Portuguese boundary Governor General did not that Rovuma belonged nominally to his nation.

Captain Wilson had the very version as M<sup>r</sup> Rae indeed I got it first from captain. Now dont omit

[0003] tell me whether I am to take of our discoveries in the Queen's name. flag was the first that ever on Lake Nyassa. have asked Lord John Russell question but possibly it not be deemed expedient authorize me though no will be found if I do , as if spontaneously.

Not a word has been said our freeing the captives. the Portuguese are as civil ever. Ten slaves whom employed in the belief that they free men & did not discover mistake till we were up the

Shire entered into the work of freeing

[0004] captives with great zest. I paid handsomely and as they had the of the Tette people from whom took the Manganja captives I feared they might suffer but nothing done and their master M<sup>r</sup> Ferrão Senna whose people they were wrote say that he was glad his people had useful. His people can scarcely called slaves for he always pays for any work they do.

But the Portuguese have got a hair our neck. The Gorgon's people returning from this mis-behaved drunk at Vianna's. I apologized amply and so did Captain and Vianna would scarcely an explanation. "It was only little wine" &c. But the Governor of wrote me an official letter the report of another than Vianna trusts that the Portuguese officials I will continue in the same friendly as we have always been. I have explain to the Foreign office in case he sends affair home. I am &c David Livingstone