

## Letter to John Kirk 2, 12 December 1864

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My Dear Kirk

You are to come  
at any time before  
the 28 or 29<sup>th</sup> that  
you like and stay  
a month if you  
can - for I was  
asked if you  
could not come  
before the time  
I mentioned and  
[...]

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I could not answer  
I was told to say  
as above - I hear  
the shooting going  
on just now

I enclose a  
cheque for £10  
which you will  
be good enough  
to bring in gold  
when you come  
Say to the cashier  
that I had this  
cheque book with  
me in Africa and

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And pay for yourself out of £10

dont know if  
any alteration is  
required as to  
stamps

Bring please a  
black doll, dressed,  
for one of the little

girls for 4 or 5 shillings  
One has a black  
doll & I wish to give  
one to the other - Sir  
[Admiral] George Lambert  
is here & so is  
David Kennedy a  
great Indian hunter  
but very modest  
civil fellow

[0004]  
and if you dont mind  
burdening yourself  
buy a couple of  
Shetlandwoolen  
drawers - the Shetland  
shop nearly opposite  
the school of geology  
Jermyn St - White  
soft thick woolen is  
the kind. Are you  
up in fish culture. We  
are going to try it here  
with the trout. What  
is the jumping fish  
Is it a Goby? Send  
a line to say on what  
particular day & by  
what train at Kings Cross  
you come

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