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1º Above Mankokwe's

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My Dear Waller

I write a note by way of saying how do as I expect soon to be - We are wooding or rather for wood our Mañkokwe having to cut any - and failed yesterday in getting away from his villages being compelled to separate vessels in order to get a shoal spot singly - our return I called on

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Mankokwe - He then began his plaint and when said that as they too had a it would be better hear both sides face to face to give him an idea of the side I added it referred to

Mankokwe shooting at them arrows - This caused a of laughter in which all company joined - Thinking I had made some mistake went over - the statement in words and another laugh shewed that his was considered a good - He proposed visiting ship and asked rather earnestly any Makololo were in it -

[0003] this visit he said nothing coming up in the ship to the Makololo - Nor did I - bought a little maize at a high rate and feel anxious about our black crew Vianna has evidently false with us - I shall no time in starting river after reading - If any one here yoking oxen should leave at once that $D^{\underline{r}}$ Kirk is here

I cannot tell you how I sympathize in affliction and I daily that you be strengthened to

[0004] and overcome at last. get away to the Highlands move about more - no whose opinion is worth will blame you - had written again & again to at home that having driven into a corner slave hunting complications entertained grave fears for all - Come down & visit if you don't go up - or Procter come we are stirring about nominally stationary with one exception we brisk intercourse kindest salutations Procter & the others - I am &c

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