

## Letter to John Murray III, 20 June 1857

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Hadley Green

Barnet 20<sup>th</sup>

June 1857

My Dear M<sup>r</sup> Murray

I enclose a letter  
from Holland. I know  
nothing of the writer  
except what it contains

As you are  
acquainted with  
Sir G. Wilkinson  
would it be con-  
venient

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to ask him for me  
about the crooked  
stick or leg - which  
is common  
through all the  
central country of  
Africa as an  
object of worship  
When the natives  
refer to their  
god they all  
speak of him

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with only one leg  
or a crooked one.  
Now I have the  
impression that  
Thoth was supposed  
to lame or  
something of  
that sort and  
looking into  
the Ancient Egyptians  
to be certain I  
do not find the impression

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verified. I should  
like if convenient  
to ask Sir G.  
Wilkinson about it

I am &c

D. Livingstone