Letter to John Murray III, 20 January 1865

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    20^{\text{th}} Jan /1865
    My Dear Mr Murray
    I send you by todays
Book Post 550-669
pages Manuscript
and I shall now
get to revision as
quickly as I can -
I have still a
journey to Lake
Nyassa alone to
write & a note
[0002]
about the voyage
to Bombay and
will lose no time
I ought to have been
off ere now - though
I have every com-
fort that I can
desire here I often
take a sore longing
to be in Africa
My family is
my only chain
    I recieved the
plates & will
attend to your
suggestion
[0003]
I was informed
by M^{\underline{r}} [Young] of the £44 17
but did not think
of acknowledging
it myself - that
is the channel
I wish anything
you may have
to give me to
go through and
am &c
    David Livingstone
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[0004]

The artist seems to have succeeded very well but I should like the Baobab more like the Photo - as it is mentioned in Com. Owen's book as 60 feet in circumference - the Fig tree in the middle &Bombax trees behind the house are very characteristic in their shapes & I have put a note in pencil on the enclosed drawing to that effect