

Letter to Edmund Gabriel, 14, 15 February 1855

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letter from D^r David Livingstone

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14th Feby 1855

My dear M^r Gabriel

Along with this I enclose the map
& letter for Sir R. Murchison
In opening it you will find it easy
if you will let it stand an hour or two
in a towel on which you sprinkled
some water previously.

The same process will enable you to
fold it again with facility

Please when you write to Lie^{ut}
Bendingfeld present my compliments
on his escape.

Fancy the natives in 1855 of the "new"
"earth", & no more sea, digging up my
fossil manuscripts & as much puzzled
to tell the situation of Angola as the
Commentators have been with the
whereabouts of the Garden of Eden.
As you are a lawyer in embryo
(pardon) I suppose the decision that
a person born out of England is an
"alien"- will change your views a
little, I believe it was given in a
case of copyright.

[0002]

2.re Gabriel

English parents don't now produce
English children

Mine are therefore niggers - "moleques"-
in fact for they were born in Africa
Excuse the hotch potch note

Believe me ever most
affectionately yours

(sd.) David Livingstone

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