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My dear M^r Murray

As it is desirable that an abridgement of my work the Missionary travels should be issued and I have the fullest confidence [0002]in $M^{\underline{r}}$ Elwins ability and sympathy for such abridgement and in your management of it I hereby by authorize you to take whatever steps you may [0003]deem advisable in the matter and I leave it entirely to your judgment as to the time &c of publication

I am &

David Livingstone

John Murray Esq