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My Dear Sir

Your name was handed in by me to Lord Clarendon with the statement that you were highly recommended by Sir William and D_{-}^{r} Hooker and also by Professors Balfour and Wilson It was approved by Lord [0002]Clarendon and sent by the Foreign Office to the Admiralty which has the further organization of the expedition. You are therefore appointed, and all that is necessary now, is that you present yourself to Captain Washington the hydrographer for approval [in that department] but no objection will be made. [0003]It will be well if you lose no time in making preparations as to outfit as we expect to be off about the 14 $\pm h$ of February.

Thanks for the list. I shall order the packing according to your desire but it would have been an advantage had you been at hand to see that it was attended to

I am Yours Most Truly

David Livingstone

 $D^{\underline{r}}$ John Kirk