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Captain Washington R N.

Sir

I am very sorry to have report the death of Robert , carpenter of the Pioneer the 17th Curr. After a illness. We have detained since the 16th in a most un-part of the river having large marsh on each of us. this is the only we know for the virulence of the Fever the ship has been kept clean above, and in the bilges. did not expect a fatal and feel the loss much it being the

[0002] death in the Expedition three and a half in these rivers

I have written to the young parents and advised to apply to you about of wages, and any that may arise the sale of his tools clothes and an account which will be sent soon as possible. Their is M^{rs} Fayers

Near the Coventry Cross

St Leonard's

Bromley

Middlesex

I am &c

David Livingstone

H.M.Consul.

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He was attended by D^r Meller during of his illness & latterly the assistance of D^r Kirk
D^r Mellers report & post examination is

I close this letter and will an account of the of the carpenter in letter as soon the sale takes place