

Letter to Philip Saumarez, 30 July 1859

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Kongone Harbour

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Commander P Saumarez. R N.

Dear Sir

I have much pleasure acknowledging your of 28th and regret you have so little to now that we have pleasure of meeting Man of War. We have wretched little craft together in the flimsiest style and as are very anxious her to last long for us to examine

[0002] route which we think up a very large portion the Highlands of Eastern . On this point I to submit the letter we had deposited the island off this harbour vessel was only 1/16 of inch thick in the beginning is now no thicker than paper. if we can some sheet iron to the worst parts, some [^][one or two] thin planks mend our whalers of which are leaky copper nails, and [ned] lead [with paint oil]. these will enable to hold out till we have

[0003] up Shire & back again and the good will have been out of her (and a great more) than was ever in her by the builders

You will favour us if you spare us salt provisions, it be, it will be . Shoes, good , socks or stockings check shirts, a piece blue cloth [^][& serge] enough to a jacket or two, piece of sheet lead

We have ten Kroomen at Sierra [^][Leone] for two . Our work will all probability be on for the next six . We have 46 who are useful

[0004] land where are . Will you be able ship them so that they be useful on board of war and the not be broken. Quarter master

J. Walker, an excellent has been ill, and to go to hospital. absence and that the Kroomen would well supplied by two [steady] volunteer seamen. give double full pay. this troublesome . I shall make proper requisition when know what you can spare

I am Dear Sir

Most Truly Yours

David Livingstone

You will oblige me much if you could conveniently ashore & look at us. You will be able to do more I could by coming on board.