## Letter to Henry Toynbee, 20 August 1857

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My Dear Sir

I have been quite unable to look over your very kind investigation of my work as I am striving to have the correction [0002] of the press all over by the 25<sup>th</sup> to go to Dublin meeting of the association

As you seem to have great facility for this work I have been wishing to screw up my courage so far as [0003]to ask you (if it is not a piece of outrageous indulgence) to ask you edit them. M<sup>r</sup> Maclear said to the R.G.S. some public body ought to print them. Sir Roderick said looking towards me "we shall

be happy to do it" [0004] Now I dont know whether Murray would think it an encumbrance or not to my own book. I believe Arrowsmith would like some of them suppressed. but I dont like any thing like "cooking" On that account I never sent my observation book

[0005] to the Royal Observatory but never have had time to look at their work If you had leizure and inclination to examine the whole with the observation book too & give your opinion and make any

[0006] additional remarks you please. I should feel it a great favour It might possibly not suit Murray as the boards of my book are ready. but then it would be in the Journal of the R.G.S. [0007]and I could put a note into mine referring to the observations Edited by Capt<sup>n</sup> Toynbee.

If however

this is inconvenient please dont refer to it and excuse your much obliged

D. Livingstone [0008]

I would ask
Murray if you
can spare the
time. I would shall
send a rough
copy of Arrow
Smiths map as
soon as I know
your mind

Captain Toynbee