

Letter to John Washington, 21 February 1862

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R. Zambesi 21st Feby 1862

Dear Captain Washington

We are going up at 's pace in consequence of having chief portion of the shell of the new on board. Captain Wilson of M S Gorgon assisted with his men officers to take the pieces out the brig and place them on board have the boilers & 2 sections his paddlebox boats - want of will compel him to so I write to say that have taken M^r Edward Young gunner from the Gorgon to the Lady Nyassa - at

£173 - per annum - and he - £160 to be paid to his wife

Eliza Young, Providence Cottage, , near Gosport - [Hants] -

M^r Gedye wishes to go home & regret very much to part with him as he has behaved well indeed all the time

[0002] has been with us. I engaged also carpenter and smith who were on passage home from Johanna, carpenter is a Tyrolese I believe his pay is £7-10 per month name Augustus Waldman smith William Macleod - a is a very good workman pay is £10 per month. We one able seaman & two quarter from the Gorgon for the steamer, and exchange John on account of sickness , for William Goldsmith a volunteer. A few more hands have been all the better we shall do what we can with the .

If you can assist M^r Gedye another situation you will a good deed, as he deserves . He had a severe touch of fever we were away at the Lake I suspect fears another. would prefer the coast gaurd to whatever station you

[0003] recommend him I think would have no reason to regret done so. He professes regret at and willingness to return, I on other terms. I offered the command on M^r May's leaving he declined though to obviate his I offered to lay down his position for him. He said he must have some one to so I was forced to do it though knowing next to about navigation.

David Gwilliam or Gwillim to send (£20) Twenty Pounds his wife Elizabeth Gwillim

Smith Rope Wal Ground

Woolwich - Kent.

He says his pension is not paid regularly as she requires and wishes to send this out his pay. All advances of money sent to [be] placed against each in the Flag ship.

I have asked Admiral Walker if will send up a party to set the Rovuma question at rest from the

[0004] upwards. It is very important this point be settled while the state of American affairs . the Governor General of Mosam went up lately with some 3 to try & induce the Sultan to that Rovuma instead of Cape is the boundary between Zanzibar and Portugal. by Col Rigby's the true boundary Cape which to the eye looks 8 or 10 south of Rovuma was asserted be the boundary. Amidst the multi-of points that engross your I entreat you to bear this remembrance. Cape Delgado is boundary beyond dispute - the of the Gov. Gen^l shews that are right.

Pioneer too heavily laden goes up slowly but we unloaded five at Shupanga and will make trips of the whole ship. All efforts will be bent to this vessel on the Lake

M^{rs} L is here and well. Thanks and hearty for all your kindness her Ever Yours David Livingstone

We shall soon be out of all provisions except beans but hope the may be able to supply us. Preserved meats are at the Cape

We require a boat or two Our two whalers of 1858 are done

1st March

We cannot carry 35 tons up the river so must unload at

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Shupanga - put a steamer together & try & tow her up. We have been weeks in reaching Shupanga David Livingstone