

Letter to Henry H. Methuen, [1 November 1849-28 February 1850?]

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of them intended building better houses - the only encouragement necessary being assistance in nails for fastening the roofs But the drought has prevented progress. By the way if you happen to see a sovereign or so on your desk and dont ~~know~~ remember how it got there or what you ought to do with it - please invest it in nails and send them this way. We have two tribes here, the Bakwains and Bakaa. The latter were driven away from their own country by Sekhomi the chief of the Bamang-wato. We have some mines of iron and the Bakaa make use of them, but having only recently come I have not yet been able to introduce any improvement in smelting - both sugar cane & sweet potato would do here if we only had rain M^r Freeman one of the secretaries of our society promised to send the latter if he could from the Mauritius whither he proceeds after inspecting the various missions of this country. But should you ever come you must try & bring everything in the seed line that falls in your way. We built a millhouse but the water dried up before we got farther

An opportunity having unexpectedly & occurred of sending to Kuruman I embrace it without adding more than requesting you to remember me kindly to your father

And believe me yours most truly

D Livingston
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Care of Rev^d D^r Philip

~~Cape Town~~

Replied

Rev^d H. H. Methuen

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