

## Letter to John Kirk 2, 8 August 1863

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Malango 8<sup>th</sup> August 1863

My Dear D<sup>r</sup> Kirk

I recieved your letters by the boat in beginning of August instead as you thought the middle ~~boat~~[canoe] with rum & sugar still to come. You did all a man could do in the , and I thank for your services - that the silly

Cape Governor had not the money which his Sir George Grey always glad to do & pressed me to make of him in that and every way, I could think of. gave D<sup>r</sup> Meller a bill for £150 to Colonel Nunes instead you will be off by the of his arrival and fear I may not go to

[0002]

Quillimane at all - You were right to get off by the safe opportunity - dying by inches - & sure poison which saw in the crew of a Hamburgh was just what you in Saunders - Be & write when you get & let me know how are yourself - I feel very anxious you & the rest - sorry poor Pearce - I shall off his packet as soon I can - We are thanks the Highest all well except King who complains of in his limbs but works

I have written a formal against being to the humiliation having our Despatch to missionary

[0003] other gossip at the Cape we knew its contents suspect the Governor the Cape as the guilty and after telling Adams came up hailed the ship with "no more pay for you chaps. I bring the as says it" and that D<sup>r</sup> Steere had expatiated the different paragraphs English & Portuguese [at Quillimaine] until you had felt com-to the remark - "that was not likely he know the contents &c add that notwithstanding courteousness of its my companions & self had been subjected very unmerited humilia- the Despatch was open to the Cape Governor I suspect that he

[0004] gain a little popularity with church folks had sent to the bishop - I shall not on the Governor though go to the Cape and will take public notice of the if no apology is . I dont say a word the bishop about it but mention D<sup>r</sup> Steere's bad - Earl Russell says will be glad to learn any of the gentlemen the Mission have profited my [suggestions &] experience" &c &c. they know this I shall it as a text

We liked the bishop well during his half day's with - he is the picture of Dillon of the Gorgon but with small pox -

[...] cautious & no courage [...] seems not too old to

[...] . He might as well

[...] mentioned his decision about Morambala

[0005] it was he let me see that he mainly anxious to get in coincide in his own views he did not conceal his to bolt. He gave a about pickingsout of but I shall take care they be of the smallest as for Lady Nyassa would rather see her a second bar at Quillimane than that she be a slaver or a property which be the equivilent mean to take her to India when the hurricane is over - wish we get into the Webbe wait for that.

Washington pointedly said

"On no account take any from private for her" and he

[0006] several things which come to good sum yet not a is said about her am not going to whine it however -

In reference to the remark the Despatch that the <sup>t</sup> as yet possessed scanty information the resources of country. I mention ample materials you sent or taken to Gov<sup>t</sup> Museum at Kew and that there is instance on record valuable information arranged without Herbaria and - & refer to  
Sir William Hooker

[0007] to whether the materials not as ample for illustration of the productions of country as ever came of a barbarous & from a in which nothing incessant could be preserved write to Sir William same time. I suspect underling has the remark  
Sir Roderick seems longer our friend  
& he has a say in everything only conjecture Sir 's coldness his ceasing to

[0008]  
Rae gets on very fast in Lady Nyassa heart is in it. the Laird of Limefield that we must be awful  
"clashers" out here. We surely as the "clashers" got so before reaching us on spot. About a month we were talking just as we to do about the Governor Quillimame making so of medical services the army & auxiliary forces ever thanking me carrying him out of the of it. When it suddenly me that this might additions be converted a "clash" I never - if it does so , you will know to think of it

[0009]  
Meller left us on 17<sup>th</sup> July is spoken of as consul Madagascar and had for it. I dont if anyone is to Zanzibar it might be well for to apply. In a few you could retire a competency & done good service the mean time

Waller wished to retire than go to Marambala the bishop gave in taking the freed woman & children & he will go. It have been such a to sit on a mountain people to teach

[0010]  
Proctor went down river ill with liver & living a low valley doing nothing have it said brought sickly lad with them will soon die & give excuse for bolting have told Earl Russell that the use made of previous advice to fight or engage native quarrels which  
bishop Mackenzie honestly in his journal to place all the blame their subsequent fighting my shoulders - the Marambala to they now go subject them by frequent clouds to & damps which

[0011] be as prejudicial as fevers in the valley must not blame for Rowley is better

We left to carry a boat the Cataracts & improve time between this & Dec<sup>r</sup> & had it up at Malango when in the the Makalolo reported it would require to be carried - I called hands to do this when Shupanga men - I give the names the worthies. Kanyai  
Peoso Arimasau -  
Ropa & Maudzu (the slave) in to shew how they were. the thing I saw was boat bottom upwards

[0012] like a shot over the  
Cataracts! I am going to a little on foot to keep blood circulating

My son Robert is said to be Natal to join me - and am sorry I cannot ask save Captain to give him passage and he wont there - he would be in the L. Nyassa you can drop a word a passage to any skipper I shall be . If he cannot come must work his own in Natal - with wishes

I am ever yours  
David Livingstone