

## Letter to William Sunley, 2 June 1865

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My Dear Sunley

I fear that you  
will feel yourself  
sadly bored by  
letters pouring in on  
you from all sides,  
I have written you  
by way of India - by Sir Thomas  
Maclear at the  
Cape & now by D<sup>r</sup> Meller who kindly  
takes charge of this

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on his way to his con-  
-sulate in Madagascar

My object is to ask  
you to assist me  
to get 20 or 25 natives  
of Johanna as carriers  
on my next trip.

I intended to take  
Belooches but Col.  
Rigby dissuades me  
from so doing. I  
would take Johanna  
men entirely and if  
you can say trust  
to getting them or not  
as the case may be  
write to me care of  
G.M. Stewart Esq

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at Mess<sup>rs</sup> Remmington  
& Co. Bombay.

I have only £500 from  
Foreign Office - £500  
from Royal Geo. Soc<sup>y</sup>  
and £1000 from a  
private friend. &  
am not disposed to

be illiberal within  
my means. I propose  
£1 per month for  
common men  
as it is not skilled  
labour, and more  
such as you would  
direct for headmen  
and a cook. If  
you can manage  
this for me and

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let me know that  
you can before I  
leave Bombay I  
would ask the  
man of war that  
takes me over to  
come to you. I am  
doubtful if I can  
bring my steamer  
across again. &  
will go up Rovuma  
in boats. I would  
need an engagement  
for 20 months or  
so. Hoping this  
may find you in  
good health. I am &c  
David Livingstone