

Letter to Horace Waller, 8 August 1863

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My Dear Waller

We have got
rid of our boat after succeeding
in getting it nearly past all
the cataracts - on Monday
we should have passed all
but having gone some 3
miles in the river in charge
of the Makololo who are A.1. in
rapids. they found it impossible
to go farther - coming on shore
they told me so and I called
back all hands to carry her
by land when five of these
Shapanga men jumped in
without my knowledge - they
would take it past of course
and the next thing I saw was
the boat floating bottom upwards
as soon as they saw danger
they took care of N^o One &
away went our hopes over
the cataracts - with a good

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deal of property in her - the
Makololo & some Ajawa ran
along the bank like good fellows
but she never came in sight
gloria sailing on Nyassa transit

The Ajawa have behaved
capitally - It has been a hard
job - for she was heavy. I
wish them to be paid exactly
as if they had fulfilled their
intentions of launching the
boat which they would
have done in two days
above the cataracts. To
Mulolo and Maluchu give
3 lbs of powder each - and
let one of the bags of shot
which are a little more
than half full be divided

between them - also 100 bullets
and ten flints each – Give
them full allowance of
cloth - a fathom more than
was promised if you
think it right to exceed the

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bargain - 5 brass rods of
course and the beads
knives - looking glasses
& whatever else I promised
Give more to the headmen
and [divide] [^] the wages of the
seven for 6 days say
I suppose a third of the
entire wages. Make them
content at whatever
cost - I would like to
give the headmen Mulolo
and Maluchu and
Kamualakwinda if he
is a headman - a present
when I return which
need not be promised
If you can come
up to the ship & manage
this business satisfactorily
I shall feel much
obliged

Ever with Affection
David Livingstone

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