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My Dear Sir

I am extremely sorry to find that the time I intended to be in Scotland is so near and the work which must be done before I can move is so great [0002]I must inflict a disappointment on my friends I am very sorry for it but my engagements with my publisher will prevent me coming as soon as I intended & I cannot a present [0003]name a day but I am making exertions to get through with my work as soon as possible I shall let you know the moment I see my way clear to visit Scotland

Believe me

yours truly

D. Livingstone