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My Dear M^r Murray

I send you by todays
Book Post 550-669
pages Manuscript
and I shall now
get to revision as
quickly as I can I have still a
journey to Lake
Nyassa alone to
write & a note

[0002] about the voyage to Bombay and will lose no time I ought to have been off ere now - though I have every comfort that I can desire here I often take a sore longing to be in Africa My family is my only chain

I recieved the plates & will attend to your suggestion

[0003] I was informed by M^r[Young] of the £44 17 but did not think of acknowledging it myself - that is the channel I wish anything

you may have to give me to go through and am &c

David Livingstone

[0004]

The artist seems to have succeeded very well but I should like the Baobab more like the Photo - as it is mentioned in Com. Owen's book as 60 feet in circumference - the Fig tree in the middle &Bombax trees behind the house are very characteristic in their shapes & I have put a note in pencil on the enclosed drawing to that effect