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My Dear Captain Washington

It has occurred to me
since parting that the
horse power of M^r Laird's
vessel is too small.
It would be sorry thing
for us to be unable
to stem the current in
the only steamer the

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natives ever saw. Rennies
are with two engines
each having 10 H.P.
and they do on the
Thames nicely. I mention
this if it is not too
late - and am

yours truly

David Livingstone