

Letter to William H. Smythe, 18 January 1858

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12 Kensington Palace Gardens

18th January 1858

My Dear Sir

I have been hoping
to avail myself
of your kind
invitation to visit
you and get some
instruction as to the
[0002]
use of an instrument
for determining the
Longitude which
you recommended,
but being so
much bothered
by the Admiralty as
to have no time
I can call my
own, I think
it will be facilitating
business if you
[0003]
would kindly tell
me about the
Instrument - its
probable cost &
size, and if my
funds will reach
it I will set
about getting it
as soon as
possible.

I hope to get
away next ~~week~~ month
[0004]
but the vessel is
not yet quite fixed

upon which is to
carry us out.

With kindest regards
to M^{rs} S.

I am yours &c

David Livingstone

Admiral Smythe