

Fragment of 1870 Field Diary (LXXVI-[LXXVI]), 16 January 1871

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LXXVI 16th January 1871 Ramadan ended last 4 night and it is probable my people & others from the cohort will begin to travel after three days of feasting It has been so rainy I could have been done little though I had had people 22nd a party reported to be in the way hither - This is likely enough - but reports are so often false doubts arise - Muhamad says he will give men when the party of Hassani comes or when Dugumbe arrives My Nassickers coolly assert that they did not desert after this it will be impossible to take the ringleaders but some will believe them as for instance M^r Tozer & Co

[Series of calculations over lower half of page in, apparently, pencil and different kinds of inks. In some cases Livingstone has inked over calculations and text. Text includes: "Chirubi", "middle", "S End", "Kipyra", "Landsend", "Mpabali", "Sea Horizon", and "Kasonga".]

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[Drawing of a map with the Equator at the top, Lake Chibungo or Lincoln, Lake Moero, and Lake Tanganyika, with latitude markings.]

There is no desert in all the country said to be travelled over It is every where fertile & covered with rank vegetation = this is the most unlikely part of the tale