

Letter to Horace Waller, 10 June 1863

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My dear HW

As Enda Moshile's

women are returning after convoying
their lord & his leprosy up here for
relief pray say that if you come
you will be welcome but if
you dont know it without you
are a dull scholar.

A woman had gone over to
the other side, we suspect, to get
grain from old gardens, came
back last night with an arrow[-]
head through the diaphragm &
lungs up to near the base of the
heart. so your folks had better
be on the look out when they go
again.

Seseho is not acting dishonurably
in not going to hunt though I did
expect before I gave him ammuni[-]
tion that he would have gone ere
this. He told me that he was
occupied in hoeing, and that the
grass was too long to see the animals
I found out subsequently that
he is no shot and abandoned
the idea that we should get fresh
meat from him, consequently
Procter is better - We return a letter address Paoneer to Blain

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did not feel any of that annoyance
which you out of kindness to me
may have felt in thinking that I
had been shamefully "done" I offered
the same benefit to all but it was
declined on the plea of working in
their gardens and I told them very
pointedly that they were not to

abandon agriculture for the chase.

The musket (a new one) was
a debt of honour which need
not have been paid - Moririma's
gun was dropped overboard at
Kongone & that worthy chose to
blame Seseho for it. Mobita &
Seseho offered their cloths ^ to him before me
to take off the blame - I said that
it was an accident and when we
returned to Tette I would repair
the loss. After the party left us
Moririma plagued Seseho till he
gave him his gun - and this having
got broken we refused to repair
it because he had not trusted
my word, and I resolved to give
to Seseho the gun I had promised
to Moririma though none expected
it: Here endeth the Molandu &
my paperD.L.

King is very low from prolonged haemorrhagic discharge
can you lend us 2 bottles of port wine for him and
Ammoniate of iron? Kind words to all to one