

Letter to Mrs. [?] Noel, 8 August [1864]

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18 [64]
My Dear M^{rs} Noel
The kind true
heartedness of your
father and mother
at Warley House
I can never forget
and I thank you
for your very
kind invitation
and evident
desire to follow

[0002]

in your dear parents
"spoor" but I am
very anxious to get
back to Africa again
and endeavour to
open up the country
North of the Portuguese
so that my past
labours may not
be rendered fruitless
by these inveterate
slavers - I left my
steamer at Bombay
for this very purpose
and am now only
anxious to get into
a retired nook to do

[0003]

a little work and then 63
be off. my daughter
now woman grown

is to keep my cottage
as I wish to be near
her as much as
possible - I avoid
all public engagements
except Bath - I
mention these
things that you
may see that I do
not undervalue
your generous
hospitality though
I have to decline it

[0004]

I beg you to present
my kind salutation
to your husband &
accept my warmest
thanks for your
kind offer
& am &c

David Livingstone
M^{rs} Noel