

David Livingstone Centre: List of Journals, Field Diaries and Notebooks to be Digitised and Digitally Archived

MASTER LIST ID	CAT NO	TITLE	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	PERIOD COVERED	DIMENSIONS
P.273 (11)	1115	Unyanyembe Journal	Brown Letts Perpetual diary with brass lock, containing 763 pages, retrospectively written up from field diary entries.	FB4	28/1/1866-5/3/1872	315 X 195
p.275 (14)	1123	Field Diary I	Notebook with green cloth binding, containing 106 pages of details about preparations for forthcoming 'last journeys'.	FB1	4/8/1865-31/3/1866	151 x 90
p.275 (15)	1124	Field Diary II	Notebook with green cloth binding, containing 106 pages of daily entries and sketches.	DC1.C16	4/4/1866-14/5/1866	151 x 90
p.275 (16)	1125	Field Diary III	Notebook with green cloth binding, containing 106 pages of daily entries and sketches.	FB1	14/5/1866-30/6/1866	151 x 90
p.275 (17)	1142	Field Diary IV	Notebook with green cloth binding, containing 106 pages of daily entries and sketches.	FB1	1/7/1866-5/9/1866	151 x 90
p.275 (18)	1126	Field Diary V	Notebook with green cloth binding, containing 106 pages of daily entries and sketches.	DC1.C16	5/8/1866-23/10/1866	151 x 90
p.275 (19)	1127	Field Diary VI	Notebook with green cloth binding, containing 106 pages of daily entries and sketches.	FB1	24/10/1866-23/12/1866	151 x 90
p.275 (20)	1128	Field Diary VII	Notebook with green leather binding, containing 136 pages of daily entries and sketches.	FB1	26/12/1866-1/3/1867	136 x 81
p.275 (23)	1129	Field Diary X	Notebook with brown leather binding, containing 138 pages of daily entries and sketches.	FB1	9/9/1867-2/1/1868	136 x 81
p.276 (27)	1130	Field Diary XIV	Notebook with brown leather binding, containing 137 pages of daily entries and sketches.	FB1	14/11/1871 - 14/9/1872	139 x 80
p.276 (28)	1131	Field Diary XV	Notebook with black leather binding, containing 150 pages of daily entries and sketches; fuller than 27 where it overlaps.	FB1	7/7/1872 - 1/12/1872	155 x 85
p.276 (29)	1132	Field Diary XVI	Notebook with black leather binding, containing 179 pages of daily entries and sketches.	FB1	1/12/1872 - 6/4/1873	153 x 86
p.276 (30)	360	Field Diary XVII	Notebook with purple leather binding, containing 30 pages of daily entries plus many blank pages.	FB1	9/4/1873 - 27/4/1873	153 x 86
p.276 (31)	1118	Notebook I	With mottled paper cover containing 90 pages of daily entries plus references to Baker, St Paul, the Nile and Dr Buckland's insanity.	FB1	16/4/1872 - 1/6/1872	221 x 171
p.276 (32)	1119	Notebook II	With mottled paper cover containing 80 pages (some missing?) of daily entries plus geological notes.	FB1	1/6/1872 - 12/7/1872	221 x 171

p.276 (33)	1120	Notebook III	With mottled paper cover containing 86 pages (21 blank) of daily entries plus items copied from diary XIII, astronomical observations and vocabularies of Suaheli, Batusi, Buganda and Manyema.	FB1	22/7/1871 - 7/10/1871 & 28/9/1871 - 7/10/1871 (on an envelope enclosed (now restored as part of '1871 field diary'))	222 x 177
p.278 (3)	1121	Notebook	Early version of 'Analysis of the Language of the Bechuanas' plus 'Notes on Wild Animals', names of Bakwain children taken by the Boers in September 1852, comments on local Africans, conversation with a rain-doctor and an essay 'Missionary Sacrifices'.	FB3	1852	243 x 203
p.279 (15)	807	Notebook	Letts Analytical Index with green cloth binding, 114 pages containing notes on African bearers, African fables, essays on atonement, Darwin and natural selection, the history of exploration in Africa & America, the origins of the American Civil War, Michelangelo and Raphael etc, financial notes, a Suaheli vocabulary, observations of nature, a map of the Zambezi delta in 1856, and daily entries for 2 Jul, 29 Sept 1869 28 Feb, 13 March 1870.	DC1.C16	March 1866 - March 1870	192 x 121
p.279 (17)	1122	Notebook	In brown leather binding; 1st part is 40 pages of thoughts and essays on various topics, including antiquity, African history and the Nile sources, with a map, a 'Note on the Climate', 'A Mission', thoughts on the watershed and a description of the country through which he travelled, list of Masai words, Kavirondo words, a 'Note of 5th Oct, Lunda words, and some astronomical observations. 2nd part is an insert (see below 8).	FB2	July - October 1868	180 x 115
p.280 (4)	806	Astronomical observations	Notebook with red leather binding entitled 'Observations on River Shire & Lake Nyassa or Nyinyesi, 1861', containing 94 pages (c.12 blank) of astronomical observations plus a small map of islands near the south end of the lake and the names of 2 Arabs met at Kaombe on 17 Oct.		24/8/1861 - 11/11/1861	181 x 110
p.280 (5)	1117?	Astronomical observations	Notebook with brown leather binding containing 157 (and many blank) pages of astronomical information plus one page of African vocabulary and a drawing of part of a Mawawa (?) plant.	DC1.C13?	7/10/1863 - 14/6/1864	176 x 115
p.280 (8)		Astronomical observations	48 pages (11 blank) inserted into Notebook 17 above.		8/6/1869 - 13/12/1869	158 x 100

David Livingstone Centre: Letters I to be Digitised and Digitally Archived

CATALOGUE NO	ALREADY DIGITISED?	SUMMARY	ADDITIONAL INFO	DIMENSIONS	INTERPRETATION OF DIMS	CONDITION CODE	CONDITION SUPPLEMENTARY TEXT	LOCATION	CORRESP ARCHIVES LINK
084		Typed transcript only, of an unpublished letter of Livingstone's in which he relates the incident with the lion. Letter was dated 28/5/1845 from Mabotsa to his friend Robert Hayward.	Contrary to card description the letter is not in a frame. Acrimonious correspondence in 1974 when donor's son requested return of original letter after petty dispute about his late father's name still being displayed on caption (see correspondence archives).	20 x 33	width x height	G		k/3/2	1/67b
348	y	Framed notice, addressed in Livingstone's handwriting, of the death of his mother. Within frame RHS is the short notice, LHS photostat of envelope, from which details about addressee & postmark can be read.	Addressee: Miss Currie, Almada St, Hamilton. Postmark: 'Hamilton, Ju 20, 65'	24 x 19.5	width x height	G		k/3/2	
696	y	Framed letter (unwrapped) from DL to Mary Ann Young dated 24/2/1858 from Sardinia Terrace.	Gives advice to 'commit thy way unto the Lord'.	23.5 x 19	width x height	F	edge of frame is generally scuffed.	k/5/2	1/8
765	y	Original letter from DL to Mr McSkimming dated 18/5/1857, together with a newspaper cutting and a short note dated 8/6/1857 written and signed by McSk stating that DL was a former pupil.		22 x 18	width x height	G		k/3/2	1/22
766a		Original letter from DL to Dr Loudon, dated 'Tuesday morning' requesting that Dr Loudon should call as Livingstone had a bad cold.	Contrary to card description the letters are not in a frame. I have re-numbered these as they were wrapped separately.	23 x 18	width x height	G	discoloured (yellow) but reflects age of document.	k/3/2	1/22
766b		2nd letter to Dr Loudon accepting invitation to call on him next day.		23 x 18	width x height	F	paper torn discoloured and stained.	k/3/2	1/22
768		Letter to 'Mr Napier' dated 24/6/1865, from Burnbank Rd, Hamilton.	Contrary to card description the letter is not in a frame. Contents of letter: declining an invitation to a 'Launch & Trial' trip, and informing the recipient of the death of DL's mother.	23.5 x 18.5	width x height	F	Discolouration and staining reflects letter's age.	k/3/1	
773	y	Original letter from DL to Dr Smith dated 31/5/1859 from River Zambezi.	contrary to card description the letter is unframed but is still within its cardboard mount.	46.5 x 38	width x height of cardboard mount	F	a 1-inch tear in the middle of the letter has created a hole but has not obscured any of the words.	k/3/2	
776a	y	Letter to J Risdon Bennett from Kuruman dated 22/12/1841, with a typed transcript of the 1st part of the letter only.	The typed part of the letter is a report on the ways and superstitions of the Bechuana tribes which DL has encountered; he expresses negative views of their capabilities. The letter comprises 4 pages, written on both sides of a single sheet folded in 2 to divide it.	20 x 32	width x height of each page	P	letter is torn along fold marks, and is severely discoloured (yellow) and stained.	k/3/2	1/27

776b	y	Letter with typed transcript, from DL to J Risdon Bennett dated 30/6/1843.	Subject: plans to set up a new mission among Bakhatla tribe once Robert Moffat has returned to Kuruman.	40 x 32	width x height	F	just realised that letter does not correspond to transcript! But I think it may be the correct letter - it seems to be a continuation of another page which may be the one the transcript relates to?	k/3/2	1/27
777	y	Letter (4 sides) with typed transcript, from DL to his brother-in-law Rev Jean Fredoux (Motito, French Missionary of the Missions Evangeliques) dated 28/9/1853 from Sekeletu's town, Linyanti.	contrary to card description the letter is not in a frame.	24 x 33	width x height of each page (2 sides) of original letter	P	faded, difficult to read especially because some parts appear to be superimposed by other writing; paper discoloured, soiled & ragged round the edges.	k/3/2	1/71b
778	y	Letter (4 sides) with typed transcript, from DL to Rev D. G. Watt (Cheshire) dated 18/8/1850, from Kolobeng.	contrary to card description the letter is not in a frame.	25 x 40	width x height of each page (2 sides) of original letter	P	faded, difficult to read especially because some parts appear to be superimposed by other writing; paper discoloured, soiled & ragged round the edges.	k/3/2	
779		Letter (12 sides) to Charles Livingstone dated 8/11/1854 from Golungo Alto. Written on both sides of blue notepaper. Sheets 1 & 2, and 3/4 are on a single sheet folded over; 5/6 are separate sheets.	object number identified during this exercise and added to letter (back of transcript)	19 x 25	width x height of each page (2 sides) of original letter	P	original in poor condition but still legible; paper brittle, torn, many fold marks and sellotape marks. Transcript has a 2-inch tear at top RHS affecting some wording.	k/3/2	1/43
780	y	Letter (4 sides) with typed transcript, from DL to Charles Whish (144 New City Rd, Glasgow) dated 9/10/1846, from Chonuane, accompanying a box of African curios sent as gifts to various friends..	contrary to card description the letter is not in a frame.	25 x 40	width x height of each page (2 sides) of original letter	P	faded, difficult to read especially because some parts appear to be superimposed by other writing; paper discoloured, soiled & ragged round the edges. Paper is also very thin, and writing comes through to the other side.	k/3/2	
781		Letter (4 sides) with typed transcript, from DL to his brother Charles dated 16/3/1847, from Kuruman. A note from Mary Livingstone is appended as a postscript.	contrary to card description the letter is not in a frame.	25 x 40	width x height of each page (2 sides) of original letter	P	faded, difficult to read especially because some parts appear to be superimposed by other writing; paper discoloured, soiled & ragged round the edges.	k/3/2	1/43
794	y	Letter, mounted on card, from Sir Donald MacAlister, principal at University of Glasgow, dated 13/10/1911 about when Livingstone was conferred (1854) and details about an address he gave to students on 25/2/1858.	Address on reverse of card (may not be the destination of the letter - may just happen to be on the card); 'R W Henry Esq, 21 Oakfield Terrace, Glasgow W'.	9 x 11	width x height	G		k/3/2	
798	y	Typed copy of DL's application for service to the LMS dated 5/9/1837.	Contrary to card description the object is unframed.	21 x 33	width x height	G		k/5/1	
834	y	One-page extract from DL's letter regarding his intention to resign from the LMS.		20 x 32	width x height	F	ragged round the edges and marked by previous folds.	k/3/2	
837	y	Original letter of congratulation from Robert Moffat to DL after his first great journey, dated 25/8/1856, Kuruman	Letter is contained within a sheet of cardboard, folded over, entitled 'No VI', with title 'Letter of Congratulation from Dr Moffat to DL after hir first great journey, beginning "Where are you?"'	20 x 25	width x height (when folded)	G		m/5/2	

895		Framed original letter from DL to Neil Livingstone Smith dated London 27th February 1857, with envelope addressed to 'Mr Neil Livingstone Smith, Airdrie, Scotland'.	Letter is a reply to an enquiry about DL's wounded arm, and refers to a 'long letter' from Neil which DL cannot find time to reply to fully. Letter also expresses sadness at the death of his father.	24 x 26.5	width x height (of frame)	F	small crack at top right hand corner of glass frame; the letter itself is in good condition although discoloured reflecting its age.		1/74g
1417		Letter to Horace Waller dated 6/2/1866 from Zanzibar	Expresses his thoughts while awaiting a ship to take him to Rovuma Bay on his last journey. Particularly strong opinions expressed about the attitudes of Europeans towards native tribes (fate of Baron van der Decken?).	23 x 17.5	width x height	F	where sheet has been folded there is a 5cm tear	k/3/2	
uncatalogued		Original 4-page letter dated 21 June 1858 from Zambesi River, to Sir Morton Peto with progress update re Zambesi navigation & attempt to reach Tete using steam-launch 'Ma Robert'.	Donor: Boyd Tunnock					k/5/3	

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764	Framed manuscript letter	Y	9.7.1857	London	DL	William Oswell Livingstone	1 (15 x 20)	B (landing)	2/38e&f
772	Wooden frame with Livingstone-Thornton correspondence, Zambesi Expedition (see also 821)	N	25.6.1859	Tette	DL	Richard Thornton	4 (30 x 20)	C15 (H)	
			6.2.1860	Tette	DL	Richard Thornton	1 (30 x 20)		
			-	-	-	-	2 (30 x 20)		
774	Single lettter in wooden frame	N	24.6.1843	Kuruman	DL	Mrs McRobert, Cambuslang	4 (20 x 30)	C15 (B)	
775	Single lettter in wooden frame	N	13.8.1858	Expedition Island	DL	?	4 sides on 1 sheet (40 x 30)	C15 (I)	2/34a-o
813	Wooden frame with 3 photostat letters	N	25.4.1862	Shupanga	DL	Lord Kinnaird	4 (25 x 20)	C15 (K)	
			8.1.1858	50 Albemarle St	DL	Alex McMillan	4 (25 x 20)		
			19.5.1865	8 Dover Street (?)	DL	C B Adderley	4 (15 x 10)		
814	Single lettter in wooden frame	N	2.3.1859	Tete	DL	Lord Kinnaird	8 (30 x 20)	C15 (J)	
822	Single lettter in wooden frame	N	3.9.1849	Banks of River Zouga	DL	Rev Arthur Tidman	8 (25 x 20)	C15 (E)	

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396		Oath to Faculty of Medicine & Surgery signed by David Livingstone (undated)		19.5 x 22.5	width x height (framed)	G	Hard to tell because of frame, but looks to be in reasonable condition..	document	store j/3/2	2/38c
542		Framed certificate given to Kloss Whitboy, wagon driver from Algoa Bay to Kuruman.	4/8/1841	19 x 16.5	width x height (framed)	F	Hard to tell because of frame, but various stains and foxing marks show through, also pronounced fold marks.	reference	store j/3/2	1/14
767		Paper with text and DL's signature dated 17/9/1857 with an covering letter from the donor dated 8/7/1925, explaining the circumstances of the donation. Text is ' Him that cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out' and is repeated in another language.	17/9/1857	12.5 x 20	width x height of autographed document (unframed)	F	some marks at corners and lines where document was folded	letter or telegram	store k/3/2	
769		Scrap of notepaper mounted on card from Unyanyembe signed by DL, given to H M Stanley when he was about to start his homeward journey, to save him from trouble from carrier-slaves, urging him to turn them back.	14/3/1872	26 x 40; 16 x 21	width x height of card mount; width x height of note	P	ragged and torn at RHS	letter or telegram	store k/5/3	
826		4-sided document in the form of a questionnaire with Livingstone's answers to questions posed by LMS about his religious beliefs etc.	Jan 1838	26 x 40.5	width x height	F	Edges of document ragged and torn, with some stains	document	store j/3/2	
828a		2 scraps of paper in DL's writing (1) comments on tribal dispute and navigational calculations dated probably 6/11/1872 (2) navigational calculations (?) Lusize	c.1872	14 x 21.5; 15 x 16.5	width x height of each	F	both papers ragged at edges and soiled	document	store k/3/2	
829	y	37 sheets with pencil notes by DL extracted from a pocket journal and written during the Zambezi Expedition. Extracts are protected within a folded piece of card . On front of this card is the message 'No V Sample of Scroll Pocket-Journal during Second Great Journey'.	24/8/1860-29/9/1860	7.5 x 13.5; 14 x 20	width x height of pages of journal; width x height of card when closed	F	pages soiled and discoloured - last 4 pages detached	book or notebook	store k/3/2	
835		Rectangular scrap of paper (folded in 2 with only one half written on) with verse in Bechuana language and English translation 'I will never leave Thee, nor forsake Thee', signed by DL dated 19/12/1857.	19/12/1857	16.5 x 22.5	width x height	F	paper discoloured (yellow), and slightly ragged round the edge; 4cm tear at fold line	verse	store k/3/2	2/33c
963		Livingstone's last journal with entries from 14/8/1872 to 24/8/1872 - only one page is filled.		20 x 33.5 x 1.5	width x length x depth	G		book or notebook	safe/FB2	