

Maitland

Cape

2nd June 1912

My dearest Father,

Just a word to let you know that I received the money £4 which my Sister Harriet sent me. 2-0

I am keeping well Papa thanks. We are on with our work of Exposition. The business was begun yesterday and will last till the 9th July. I expect we shall be leaving for Lovedale on the 10th as our school re-opens on the 12th July. I shall try and get you a copy of the Cape Times that you may see the records of the Missionary Exhibition. The Lovedale Choir sang in the City Hall last last night. We got quite a hearty cheer for our music.

I cannot write longer to day Papa. I shall write to you again soon.

My love to Mother, my Sisters and Brothers  
Dunelm Row. Much love from

Your affectionate son

Molosi



The Institute  
Lovedalen

29<sup>th</sup> Sept 1912

My dearest Papa,

I am still keeping well. I hope you are the same.

I received your last two letters. One you wrote from Kimberly, and the other from home. Ever so many thanks for them Pra. Yes, I got those paper which were sent to you from Ireland. They were sent to you at the request of Mr Houghton. Of course it is too early yet to say anything about them. Moreover I hope to be home in December, so there will be ample opportunity to talk about them.

We are very busy now preparing for our Examinations. They will begin on the 26<sup>th</sup> November and will last for a week. I am ~~doing~~ trying to do my best at my studies and earnestly hope to have my efforts blessed with success.

Pra I have been quiet for rather a long time. I hope you are not very anxious.

My best love to mother and my little  
brothers.

Goodbye now Papa. Much love to you

From

Your very affectionate son

Woliri.

P.S

By the way Kra, I would like to have  
about 7/6 to have my books mended.  
May I have it by return of post please!



Lovevale

22<sup>nd</sup> Oct 1912

My dearest Father,

I am in receipt of your letter. Ever so many thanks for it; and many more for the enclosed postal order of one sovereign. But you know what Kra - you put the ~~Office~~ wrong name of Office on it - you must have forgotten and put Fort Beaufort instead of Lovevale or Alice. I shall have to go to Fort Beaufort to get it changed. I am keeping well Kra. I hope you are also well.

Yes, I have also a mind to go home in December. It is not very long before the closing comes - But I feel so anxious about my examinations. Perhaps I may leave just after them if I find it necessary. Of course our exams are always over by the end of November, and the Closing

does not come until the 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. so  
that we have full two weeks after  
the examinations, and those who wish  
to leave are granted permission to  
do so. But I am not decided  
yet on this point.

My love to Mother and children

Goodbye Pa, much love to you,

your affectionate son  
Alvin.



Lovedale Inst  
27<sup>th</sup> Oct 1912

My dearest Father,

I am writing to you in connection with my holidays. You mention that I should go home for my December holidays. I was just wondering what answer you made to Mr Koblebaloo's letter. I believe he wrote to you about me, touching the situation I could fill for a short time at Capetown in December.

The post is in one of the Medical Companies and I believe the pay is reasonable. Of course it will not be a permanent post, so that I will only stay there for some short time and then go home.

More over Papa, I think this is my last year in Lovedale, and I have been wondering what I shall be doing next year and all the time till you send me across. I would not like to stay, doing nothing during that time.

To be frank Papa I think it will be a great advantage to me if I go and occupy that position both from the view of pay it will bring and additional medical knowledge. Besides, as I have already said, my stay there will not be long, or if it is desirable, I could go home first and then proceed to Capetown; I could go home after our examinations if it is necessary.



I to this write Papa dear, to give you my view  
of ~~my~~ the matter, as I think you would like to  
know it:

Let me please hear what you say Bra. If  
you are very anxious that I should go home as soon  
as possible, ~~if~~ it could be arranged.

I must conclude now Bra. Abuel love to you  
from

Your very affectionate Son

Abdini Abdema



Lovedale

24<sup>th</sup> Nov 1912

My dearest Father,  
Very many thanks for your letter.  
I was glad to hear that you are all well.

Keitumela thateu qoutloa fa lo'co'ga sentle.

Thanks for allowing me to go to Capetown.

I think I shall be there for only a month.

But I'll write again to you Papa. I am

still very busy with my studies now.

The closing is on 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. But I may

leave earlier. If possible I will leave on

the 4<sup>th</sup> Dec; so please Papa, let me have

my travelling expenses as early as possible.

I cannot write long now Rra - though I

have much to say and ask, but I shall

do so when I write again.

Our Examinations will be from the 25<sup>th</sup> Nov

to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. That is we begin tomorrow

Good bye now Papa. Much love to you

from your very affectionate son

Ulori



De Ar

14<sup>th</sup> Dec 1912

My dearest Father /

I am ~~still~~ keeping well.  
I am just on my way to Cape Town.  
I shall write to you again immediately  
after my arrival there.

I have sent two boxes home. The  
larger one contains my books. And the  
other - the smaller, which I have sent  
by the Goods' train contains some  
photos. I herewith enclose a ticket for the  
first which can be got from the station.  
The other can be got on application to the  
parcel office.

I did write to Tigerkloof, but I have  
had no answer as yet

My best love to Mother and the youngsters.  
Goodbye Papa, much love to you from  
your very affectionate son  
Alfred



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Laper

30<sup>th</sup> Dec 1912

My dearest Father,

Ke santse ke cogile sentle  
kra, ke sholofela gore lenyena losa  
tshidile sentle. Kene ka go koalela  
koa Debar kella koano. I believe  
you got the letter safely together  
with the enclosed tickets of my  
boxes which I sent home from Alice.

Y Yaka kenwa ka bua, kenwa ka  
ira apply kwa Tigerloof for the post  
of a teacher. They have been very  
long in replying, but I have got  
their answer at last which I herewith  
enclose. I only got it this morning,  
so I immediately turned my eyes  
to something else.

You see Papa, I have made up my  
mind to get some employment this next  
year - God willing. It may not be possible  
to get a good post from the very start  
but great things have small beginnings,  
and so I am trying to get a perm-  
anent post in one of the local large  
business firms. I shall let you know  
when I have it.



My idea is also to try and pursue my studies in a short time. There are many able professors in the place and I mean to attend the lectures of those in a few subjects I like to get up.

Kenna le Mr Molebaloa mono gape, le I Gabouthloe o gone. Mr Molebaloa omokopile gore annu nae. Mr Plastje le nlotshumi lebone ba mono.

My love to mother and all the young ones.

Goodbye Rev - much love to you from  
your affectionate son  
Uolani



Cape Town  
16<sup>th</sup> Mar. '13

My dearest Father,

Many thanks for your two letters of last week. I was so sorry to hear of the baby's death - But God is so great. And then I got Harriet's telegram to say that our grandmother Masiaho has also gone to rest. My only comfort must be that these are with the Lord. But you know how these incidents come almost as a reproach to me that I should have gone home to be present and mourn the deceased with you.

I am keeping well now - only lonely since Theo left. I suppose, by the way he has now reached Mafeking.



As for your second letter, I must say I am prepared to go home any time when it is necessary. Besides the fact that I long to see the people, there are many things I would like to have explained to me in connection with my education and starting life. Some how I always want to hear something myself. The letter never satisfy me, and consequently I never write about them.

But Ara, I am very anxious to have Mr Henderson's account settled before I leave Capetown. These small debts never make me feel quite free and happy until they are squared off. I promised to get it payed before the end of May, and if I stay here till then, I reckon that I shall manage it. But ofcourse this cannot confine me here. Even if you call me home tomorrow, I shall be ready to respond the



call, so long as there is provision made for Mr Henderson's account to be paid in due time.

What doctor are you making arrangements with Koro? And what work will I be required to do. I wonder could they communicate with me.

I shall say the rest when I come home.

My love to mother and all the children.

Goodbye Koro - Much love to you from  
your affectionate son  
Modiri



Cape Town

20.4.13

My dearest Father, I had a letter from Mr. Plaatje during the week - on Wednesday the 15th inst. suggesting that I should fill the pt. vacancy for a teacher in their public school @ Kimberley temporarily. They have already replied me by wire, asking me to go up immediately, so I shall leave Cape Town on the 21st April for Kimberley. I hope you will find nothing to displease you in the step I have taken Father.

My best love to mother and the children. I hope all are in sound health.

I conclude, with my love to you  
Your very affectionate son  
Modiri.



Lyndhurst Rd  
Public School  
Kimberly

30th April

My dear Father,

Thanks very much for  
the letters you forwarded me.

As for Mr James Henderson's letter  
I don't understand why he should  
write as if his payment has been  
refused. As a matter of fact the  
amount he mentioned will not be  
due until the end of May. I would  
understand the letter if it was  
written after that date - May 30th.

I have written to him today to  
say "He will get every farthing of it"  
and he will get it.

As for the Graham Remedies Company, they  
must have received the booklet they mentioned  
a few hours after posting that letter, for  
I sent it back corrected from Debar.

Of course I was very willing to leave them  
peacefully, so I said I was called home.

I shall advance Mr Henderson's  
money on ~~over~~ my very first payment.



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and I can assure you I am as anxious about it as he is.

How is mother doing? I am so near home now that I shall not miss the earliest opportunity to go there.

Mme le bana ba dumelle thata.

I hope they are all doing well.

Dumelle thata Bra.

Your loving son  
Mlodiri



My dearest Father/

Rera ra fitha Maloba sentle.  
 When we arrived @ Kraaipan  
 there was no waggon to fetch  
 Mrs Jenyang. And @ Kraaipan  
 mo moting Monamme Letapane  
~~ke fitha~~ fithela gete o  
 de Pitsani. Things were  
 were ~~so~~ bad enough but  
 they would certainly have  
 been worse for Mrs Jenyang  
 and daughters if I was not  
 present. When you come to  
 imagine that, I a native of these  
 parts - (that is ngoana o gae)  
 could scarcely see any people I  
 knew; Much less willing to give  
 necessary assistance.

Ka Modimo o ite dilo (jaka rone  
 re bua mogo re ea Madibi Maloba)  
 I saw a wagon - an old pickety  
 thing - but nevertheless a wagon



going to Kunana, + belonging to a  
fewish Merchant there. I used  
all the persuasive faculty at my  
command, and finally succeeded  
in inducing him to give us room  
in his wagon even if he should  
~~reg~~ require remuneration.

This being the case, I found it  
necessary for me to proceed to  
Kunana also ~~q~~ to make  
assurance doubly sure *gore*  
*baeng ba gorogile sentle*. I  
had not a single minute to  
spare even for seeing the old  
man (Rakakanyang). The only  
person I had the good luck  
of meeting, was Rakatholo,  
at the station, and he gave me  
all the assistance in his power.  
Mrs Jenyang is so pleased that  
she has no words to express her  
gratitude. O itumelo that



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