

East London

21-7-08

Dearest Father

I am in receipt of your letter, which I was exceedingly glad to receive.

I was also glad to learn that you are all still well.

As regards my health, I am also still well
father.

I am spending a very nice time in East London. The Pribusanas are kind people, and they treat me very well. Oh father, I owe them as many thanks as you do.

I must also express my hearty thanks to Sefelogi, tell him father I am much obliged.

My best regards to Morara, Sefelogi and all others.

Let me conclude with best love from

from your loving son

Molire S. Molima

We open on the 16th July.

Lovedale Dist.
25th Feb. 1910

My Dearest Father

I am sure you will be
glad to hear of my safe arrival in
Lovedale. I am well. I hope all
are still well at home. I

I just arrived here yesterday -
Thursday afternoon at about four.
My journey from Mafeking was
very safe too. I arrived at
Vryburg at 3 P.M., and instantly
got another train for Kimberley;
I did not reach Kimberley until
2 o'clock in the night; some

On Tuesday, I was joined by the
Lovedale students, and we left
Kimberley at 11.40 a.m. I came up
together with them as far as Cook
House where I broke off my
journey on Wednesday for a day,
and then on Thursday morning
I took a train in the morning
and was here in the morning
noon.

I am glad to state that I did

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not have the unnecessary waitings which we anticipated. I have had to wait only in Kimberley, but even then I did not feel uneasy as I had a chance of knowing more about the place. I met Messrs Mbelle and Mashoko also Mrs Mbelle.

We have just been taking the Bursary Exam to day - from 9 a.m to 5 P.M. There were in all 40 candidates who sat for it. I will here give you the general principles on which the Examination is conducted - I mean, under what circumstances the Bursary is granted.

All they do is to Examine the candidates in Arithmetic, English - (including Analysis, Paraphrasing and Dictation also Translation and general knowledge. The four top boys are then granted the Bursary. Meantime I don't know how the results stand. You will understand that the translation is results into English, and if a subject I have done badly

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it will be the Sesuto Paper Rra.

Mr Moikangoa has just arrived here this afternoon.

I can not yet say how I like Lovedale as I have been here for only one day, anyhow I think I shall like it well, but I can not like it as much as I liked my old Institution — Healdron.

Rra — send my love to Mother and my Brothers also to Mrs Taana if she is still there.

I hope you dont miss me very much. Papa Dear.

A sweet Good bye and happy love to you Rra from

Your loving son
A. Molema

Mr Silas J. Molema
Mafeking

Lovedale Inst.
28th Feb. 1910

My Dearest Papa,

I once again write to you.
I am well thanks. If you remember, in my last letter I gave you the general principles, and circumstances under which one may be recommended for the Bursary. As I told you - there were in all forty (40) candidates who sat for the Examination, and the subjects in which ~~were~~ were examined were Arithmetic, English (comprising Composition, Analysis, Paraphrasing, Dictation and Translation). The Examination occupied the hours from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. on the 25th Inst.

As I have already said, the four (4) top boys only are granted the Bursary, and Papa Dear, as I am sure you would very much like to know the results of the examination, I shall ~~now~~ write them.

Papa, you must understand
is ^{no} specified or recognized

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number of marks under or above which one is said to have failed or passed. It all depends on the four top boys.

I thus explain this to you Papa, because I know that Mr Hoikangoa did not explain it so clearly.

The results have been published, and Papa you will, I am sure be glad to know that I obtained the top.

The order of the names given below is the order of merit of those who got the bursary

- 1 Molema
- 2 Mluwandle
- 3 Jabavu
- 4 Nierkeke

Yes Papa I did get the top, and I am, accordingly granted the bursary. My knowledge of English, I am told, is what helped me mostly. In Arithmetic I got 98 marks out of 100, and I missed the total only by 2 marks. I had the highest mark in English.

Papa Dear, I think I have made clear, and all I ask you

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to do is to write to Rev J. Handerson, as to what you have to do as I have passed my Bursary.

Ara. Tell Theophilus Gaboutoe that I have been successful. I need not say anything about the family since I am sure Ara will tell them.

Father my Dear, I would like that everything, in the way of money, owed to ~~the~~ Rev Hornabrook should be settled soon. I shall also send you the account for my books.

My love to mother, sisters and brothers.

I must now conclude my letter Ara, I am sure you will feel very well pleased with

Your loving son

M. Molema

M. M.

Papa Dear, if there are any letters mine addressed to Mafeking, please they are re-addressed to me

Lovedale Inst.
28th April 1910

My Dearest Father,

I have much pleasure in writing to you. I am sure you will be glad to know that I am still in sound health. I hope you are all still well.

Mum, I received the money you sent me, with pleasure.

I am progressing on favourably in my school work. Though there are subjects which are absolutely new to me, I have much hope that I shall master them in a short time. I also get practice at the Hospital every day from 3 to 5 o'clock instead of doing manual labour. I am fully satisfied with the amount of knowledge I am gaining there.

Herewith, I enclose a receipt of £10.0.0. for my school fees - (Bursary).

You will understand that it is only for half the year - so that I shall get another £10 receipt another session for the second half of the year.

It is really grieving to hear the

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the bad outlook you have for the harvest.
I hope the next ploughing season will be
an improvement on this.

Mma, send my love to mother and my
young brothers.

I understand that Rev. Hornabrook
will be taking a short holiday to
England - together with his family. He
has been very sick lately, but he
has now recovered.

Good Bye Papa dear, Much love from

Your loving son
Molisi Molema

P.S.

When is Sebopoa coming back from
America Mma?

Lovedale Dist
27th Sept 1915

My Dearest Parents,

I have much pleasure in writing to you. I am sure you will be glad to hear from me after such a long time.

Kesa nke ke cogile sentle thanks. Ke ea sholofela le lona lo sa tshuile sentle. Lrile kele koa Somerset East kene ke koalele Rev M. Moshabela ke kerata go ea koa gagago ka December go hetisa holiday same one.

I don't suppose you will want me very much at home smce I wa there last December.

Mon ti. I lena otlmetse gore nkala gabone ja ke rata Janong ke Louisese, keba ke kopa goea koa go ene ka December.

Ke gopola ke ene okile a lo koalela A Mophili oale koa Kraaipan? Ke gopola ose agolile ya-nong

Nako eno ea nyaga etheke firo etona ea lithuto ka rebo rebakanyeta li examinations

ba rona.

Ke ea Sholofela botshelo bo sale monate
koa gae

Ke gobola gantši bo Morana, Sephoqi, Oryane
Mophili le Muriel. A ba lumele thata.

Taana (Robert) oa lumelisa.

Fare metha emenoe re bue ka nako
ea rona koa Mafikeng. Ga alebale
lechoenyo le li-moulo lme lithe
li le tenee fa reile koo gae.

Harriet o nkoalela thata, are
ba santse ba tshelile pentle koo

Dr. ...

Ke ea khutla, ka lora to

I am

Dear Parents

Your loving son

Moliri

The Institute
Lovedale

8th March 1911

My dearest Father!

I am sorry I could not write to you earlier than now. My journey was safe between Mafeking and Alice. The day I left Mafeking, my ~~er~~ right eye was ~~to~~ sore. It had been sore the whole day on the 22nd Feb, and in the way it grew much worse. When I arrived here the other one also became sore. Doctor Macvicar examined them and gave me some medicine. Since I used it I feel a great improvement, though even now they are not yet well.

How are mother and the baby doing? I hope they are quite well. My love to them.

We have just begun our Matriculation work. Our teacher is Mr Houghton. He is generally a good teacher, therefore there is every hope for good work being done.

Has Harriet not yet got a situation

in Kimberley latter? Mr Platje talked to me about that situation for which she applied, and he seemed to make sure that Harriet would get it although the reply had already been made in the negative. It appears that there were many applicants, but none of them were fully qualified except Harriet; and if they accepted someone who was not fully qualified, the Inspector will refuse such. It is this that makes Mr Platje so sure, and I think he is right.

My best regards to ~~my~~ my sisters Mtoana and Harriet and also my brothers.

Good Bye Papa Dear, Much love from

Your loving son
Molimi S. Molima

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