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Dear Mr. Kerr,

Thank you for your letter of the 13th ultimo. I was glad to find that you were interested in my proposal re going to London to study under Malinowski. One of the students in Prof. Loram's class here took her Ph.D. under his direction and she speaks very highly of his work. I would not of course be looking forward to anything as ambitious as Ph.D., but I have been studying the course they have at London, and I feel sure it ought to be possible for one to work out an interesting and profitable programme for a year's study with the help of such men as they have in London. I am therefore writing to Dr Oldham, as you suggest to find out what financial assistance it would be possible for one to get.

There are certain difficulties which I cannot ignore in this matter. First and foremost of course is the question of my family. I do not know whether they can afford to have me away from them for so long. Frieda has got this post at Adams, it is true, but I am not sure if it entirely fair for me to stay away longer. Then there is the question of the long Summer vacation before the beginning of the October term at London. How shall I take care of that? Finally the people at Adams seem to be anxious that I should return immediately to resume my duties, but I suppose they might be persuaded to extend my leave. So in view of all these difficulties I may decide to return home in June. In fact when your letter came, I had already written to the shipping company to book my passage. Much will depend therefore upon Dr Oldham's reply especially regarding the possibility of financial assistance. I understand that you will be in Scotland sometime before June, and I take you will do what you can to push the matter. I thank you for the hint about your future plans, and I shall direct my studies along that line as much as possible.

I hardly know what to advise regarding Kabane, because much will depend upon his own desire in the matter. I do not need to say anything about the necessity of making proper arrangements re passports and everything connected with entry into the United States. Then I presume that Kabane will want to reside in the University. We find that that is much the best plan, for besides being convenient, it gives one the best opportunity of getting to know the students and taking advantages of such facilities such as lectures, concerts, etc of which there are so many here at Yale. I am taking it for granted that he will not bring his wife along with him, for in that case he would have to live in the City of New Haven. In the University Room rent is 5 dollars per week, Board 8 dollars per week, Tuition 300 dollars per year, Laundry roughly  $1\frac{1}{2}$  dollars per week, so that 1000 dollars will just enable him to pay his way. He will not need much in the way of clothing; the few extras necessitated by the change in climate he can get upon his arrival here. With regard to studies, I would suggest that he should not attempt to take the Yale M.A. in one year. In fact I doubt if he will be permitted to attempt in view of the fact that he has not got any post-graduate to his credit or does not hold two degrees. In any event all the foreign students here are agreed that a year's general study without looking forward to any degree is more profitable than any other course. It takes a good deal of time to get at the American point of view in Education, not that I believe they have any specially significant point of view except that of a relentless opposition to tradition in the field of human endeavour in which tradition, in my opinion, counts most--Education. Dr Loram will probably insist that Kabane should take the General Education Seminar which will take up half his time, and then also Loram's special Seminar on "Race Relations". But as I have said already, I would advise against preparing for degree examinations. If he has a typewriter, he must bring it along; if he does not possess one, he can buy one here at a fairly reasonable price, but typewriter he must have. There is an excellent Library here, so that it is hardly necessary to bring any books except perhaps a few dealing with African education. I am sure Dr Loram will also write Kabane, so I shall conclude with saying he will find the students excellent fellows

excellent fellows to work with and the professors always ready to help.

I hope you will let me know what your address in Scotland will be. If the London idea does not materialise, I want to spend a few weeks in England before passing on to South Africa late in June. With best wishes to all friends I beg to remain

Yours sincerely,