

U. S. A.

The Officer
in Command
of Postal Forces

Police Camp

Near Lerihe

13th December 1873

Sir

I send this letter to inform
you that Laugalitole with five
of his sons and several of his principal
men are prisoners in my hands
having surrendered themselves on the
11th instant - I have also taken
possession of about five thousand
head of cattle & horses - about three
hundred of his men have also sur-
rendered and given up their arms
consisting of guns and assegais -
A strong party of the Rebels who
refused to put up their arms yesterday
were

were attacked by the Police and
Eight of their number shot - the
Remainder escaped up the Mountain
and have gone back the way they
Came and I suppose you have
fallen in with them - a good
many Cattle are also supposed
to have been driven back towards
the Camp River -

I wish you to remain with
your force either on the top ^{immediately} or at
the foot of the Mountain on this side as
the presence of your force may lead
to a good deal of confusion amongst the
Basutos on this side - you can
communicate with me by sending a
message

message or letter by one of the
bearers.

Yours truly
John D. Linn
Lieut. Col. Pitt-Rivers
Provo's Agent

Officer Commanding
The Natal Forces
in pursuit of the Rebels