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~~Lovedale~~, C.P.,

Fort Hare, 8th July 1931.....19

Dear Mr Shepherd,

By this evening's mail Mr Mqayi sends me the two enclosed letters, asking me to return them to him within a few days, after showing them to you.

He says he has not yet received his MAKIWANE MSS with which he entered the competition concerned.

He wishes to know whether the Lovedale Press would be prepared to accept and print this MAKIWANE MSS, when returned.

He says he has written to Dr Westermann anent his observations contained in lines 9 to 14, last paragraph beginning "There are in the manuscript . . . . . ending with "quarrels.", and has explained that this is history pure and simple, untainted with any idea of bitter feeling nor quarrel on his part, due, possibly, to Dr Westermann's mistaken assumption that he (Mqayi) is a Fingo.

I leave it to you to reply. For myself I am not in a position to express any judgment as I have not seen the MSS and cannot tell how these references stand in the text nor the impression they might make on readers generally.

Kindly let me have these letters back on or before Thursday next so that I may arrange about their due return.

Yours sincerely,

*D.D.T. Jabavu*