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Dear Sérgio,

It was very good to receive your letter and your chapter on "transporte fluvial." I expect to have a long chapter in my study, treating transportation and navigation, kinds of vessels, etc, and your work will be extremely useful to me. I look forward to reading it.

It has been a very busy year up here. I have completed all but the ~~xxx~~ final chapter ~~in ("conclusion")~~ ("conclusion") of my dissertation. Because of the pressure of time, I was forced to cut ~~the~~ my study in half: the dissertation is primarily a study of the geopolitical and economic functions of the Madeira-Mamoré-Guaporé river route from ca. 1737 to 1808. Once the dissertation is completed, I will then write the second half of the study, dealing with social and cultural aspects of the river route: a study of merchants and João de Sousa Azevedo; of Indian labor and Negro slavery in the canoes; of the resistance of the Mura and Mundurucú and the pacification of the 1780s-1790s; studies of vessels, ~~provisioning~~ provisioning, transport, foods and diet, and similar themes.

I will send you a copy of my dissertation when it is finished so that I may benefit from your criticism.

I send my love to your family (my Brazilian family)

É impossível achar lingua de pirarucu, e é por isso que estou agora pedindo becas para voltar ao Brasil este ano. Talvez nós vemos daqui a pouco.

abraços,

David