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EXPLORATION IN AFRICA.

Lieutenant Cameron's Report from Kawele—His Voyage Round the Southern Part of Lake Tanganyika—Stanley's Englishmen Relate their Experiences.

The following letter has been received at the British Foreign Office from Lieutenant Cameron:

KAWELE, Ujiji, May 14, 1874.

Since I last wrote from here I have made a successful voyage round the southern part of the Tanganyika, and have discovered its outlet in a river named the Lukuga, a little to the south of the group of islands visited by Captain Speke in 1858. I think also, from what I have heard from the Arabs here that the Lualaba is the Congo. My reasons for saying this are fully stated in the letter and journal I am now sending to the Royal Geographical Society, who will, no doubt, afford every information on the subject. One important fact, if true, mentioned by an Arab merchant requires looking into. He said he met no English merchants, although he heard of them and our men-of-war, as all the white merchants he met traded in slaves. This, if true, would point to the Spanish and Portuguese merchants on the Congo.

Of the vast importance to the trading community of England of the Congo and Lualaba proving one there is little for me to say, but I will glance over the principal articles of export. The Guinea palm extends, I believe, from the west coast to here. India rubber is abundant in Manuema. Sem-sem (from which much so-called olive oil is extracted) grows well wherever cultivated. The castor oil plant grows almost wild; ground nuts the same. Copper and gold are found in Katanga. Cotton grows well, and of two or three kinds. Coffee is reported to grow wild. Ivory, it is well known, mostly comes from this portion of Africa. There are many sorts of fibrous substances which might be exported with advantage, and the various millets and maize grow in such abundance that they would form a profitable export. Rice also grows most luxuriantly wherever cultivated. The only obstacles to a free water communication of which I know are the Yellala falls and the rapids on the Lualaba, a short way above the Nyangwe. The Lukuga is at present obstructed with grass, but a way might easily be cut through that. The trade at present is here about entirely in the hands of Arabs, who, when in Manyuema, live nearly entirely by plunder, and who take the wretched inhabitants as slaves to carry their ivory and other goods.

The efforts of England will, I trust, be successful in putting down the slave trade by sea; but at present they leave unattached an equally crying evil, the internal trade, which is rapidly depopulating east districts. In going round the lake I was constantly shown places where villages had been, and when I asked where the former inhabitants were, invariably received the same answer, "Killed or carried off for slaves." The price of a slave only five dots (twenty yards) of calico, while the hire of a passage is five and a half from Unyanyembe here, so that it is far cheaper to buy slaves than to hire porters; besides which, no porters are obtainable in Manyuema, and the whole trade there is carried on by means of slaves. The Arabs take with them a horde of wangwana or freedmen armed with muskets, and carry a few stores by means of domestic slaves; and the ivory, of which they obtain large quantities, is all brought by fresh caught slaves to Ujiji. The numbers of Arabs settling in the country is constantly increasing, and they all have large numbers of slaves for domestic purposes, for cultivating their gardens, and for porters. Many of those employed as porters only receive rations while on journeys, and, when not travelling, have to live by plunder.

Of the relations between the various tribes there is little to be said. The agricultural people seldom make war on each other, unless they get mixed up with the quarrels of the Arabs, to any great extent. The predatory tribes prey on all others indiscriminately, carrying off slaves and murdering all who attempt to resist. The cattle they slaughter at once and find a ready market for their slaves among the Arab traders and tribes with whom they are not actually warring. I am afraid that stopping the export of slaves, although it will diminish the evil in the districts round the Nyssa, from whence Kilwa draws its principal supplies, will only exacerbate it elsewhere by causing many now engaged in that trade to settle in the interior, where they will become slaveholders and traders afresh.

In conclusion let me add that in my belief this internal slave trade will continue to increase until the proper means of communication are opened up and the country brought under the influence of civilization and legitimate commerce.

Trusting that the remarks may prove of use and interest, I have, &c.

V. LOVETT CAMERON.

STANLEY'S EXGLISHMEN WRITE TO THEIR PARENTS.—SPICY NARRATIVES OF THEIR EVERYDAY LIFE IN AFRICA.

The subjoined letters sent home by the Francis and Edward Pocock, Englishmen who are accompanying Mr. Stanley in his exploring band in Africa, will be read with interest. The first is dated before the voyage to the Lufiu; the others were written after returning to Zanzibar from that river:—

EDWARD POCOCK'S LETTER.

ZANZIBAR, Sept. 24, 1874.

DEAR PARENTS,—I hope this will find you in good health, as it leaves us all in the best of health at present. We arrived here yesterday, after a fine passage. This place is much better than Aden. It is beautiful weather, something like England in summer, if you wasn't to see the blacks. There is plenty of oranges and all fruits. We are staying at the American Consul's. Plenty of good grub—good beef. I expect we shall be here about a week and then we shall start for the river and try it, and then back to Zanzibar again, so we can write again. Africa is not half so bad as people make out—it is most beautiful; you can walk about with a jacket on and don't sweat. I have just enjoyed myself with a piece of sugarcane. We have nothing to do whatever—get coolies to wait on us for everything we want. The place is swarmed with cocoanut trees. We will send our photographs next letter. All you want here is to keep steady and not drink; you can then get along all right. * * * Your affectionate son, EDWARD POCOCK.

Direction of meals:—Coffee at six a.m.; breakfast, ten; tiffin, two; dinner, five; tea, half-past six. All teetotalers.

ZANZIBAR, East Coast of Africa, Oct. 22, 1874.

* * * We had fifteen days' cruise in the boat up the River Lufiji, about 200 miles along the coast. The boat handles first rate, and Mr. Stanley is very pleased with us and her and the way we sail her. He was taken in a minute, and laid down about one hour and a half. It is just the same as the ague. I have not had a pain since I left home. We sailed up the coast, and anchored at Darra Salaam on the 2nd.

3rd—Started at daybreak up coast.

4th.—Started at daybreak; anchored at Rawley Island.

5th, Sunday.—Arrived in mouth of River Lufiji; anchored at Sanizore.

5th.—Started at seven a. m. up river. Fresh water four miles up; hippopotamus and alligators in great abundance; thickly populated with good-tempered people, most of whom ridiculed the idea of us wanting to see the river. The chiefs came off to barter for physic; they are Arabs, the men which buy and sell the slaves; they thought first we were English men-of-war's men. We passed thirty villages in one day. Chief Jumbe came to see us; his tribe is called Mtupe.

7th.—Went up so far that the river was like a ditch at the foot of the mountain. We soon went back with the tide, which is a very strong ebb-tide; no flood-tide. About ten miles up the river is very much like Burham reeds, very high, where the native people came to look. Anchored at the island of Similine.

8th.—Started anchor at seven a.m. Chased from three to five miles by a hippopotamus.

9th.—From the river went to the Isle of Konde, in another part, which is haunted with wild boar; a beautiful place, like a prairie.

10th.—Left Simbo; wind south southeast, light. There are several ways into this river; one is about half a mile wide; channel deep.

11th.—Visited Chogum, a little island; plenty of wild chicken; enormous turtle.

12th.—Started at eight a.m. toward Mana Island; got milk, eggs, and fowl, then proceeded to Chogum; anchored at sunset; went on shore to bathe.

13th.—Mr. Stanley went on shore to sketch the place, and then we got under way to go home; wind southwest by south; under way all night. Came to anchor off Burgamoya. Layed all night; this place is opposite Zanzibar, on the mainland; it is about thirty miles. Thank the Lord, the river is done! Although a fine place, it is very unhealthy about the many marshy parts; but we have no more to do and we have our health first rate. Me and Fred have to take the boat with goods and people a distance of thirty miles. Mr. Stanley is so pleased to think he can trust us. I pay the slaves we have to work for us cleaning the boat out or anything else that is to be done. The men work all day very hard for twelve pice, that is three annals—four and a half pence. The people here are all fasting for fourteen days on account of the new moon. I cannot say if we shall go away before the next mail. If so the letters will be forwarded over to us. We shall stop on the mainland three weeks before going in the interior.

EDWARD POCOCK.

FRANCIS POCOCK'S LETTER.

ZANZIBAR, East of Africa, Oct. 22, 1874.

MY DEAR BROTHER,—I write with a light heart to send you good news, and that is we are enjoying the best of health, and I hope this will find you all the same. We arrived here on the 21st of September. Since then we have had a cruise of fifteen days to the River Lufigi, which is 200 miles south of Zanzibar. I cannot tell you all that occurred in the river; but we went about 120 miles up to the foot of a mountain. It took us three days to get there. We were ten miles farther up the first day than other white men had been. On the second day Chief Jumbe (his tribe called Mtupe) came to barter, brought chicken and rice, plenty of cocoa-nut, eggs, goats and fruit, and plenty of fights, too. There were thousands to see us, with spears and arrows. One of the chiefs was coming off in our small boat, and Ted sounded the bugle. He jumped overboard flying, afraid of it, but there were thousands looking through the reeds, all ready for a spring had we not hoisted the flag. There is a great deal of slave trade done here, and the Arab masters thought we were an English man-of-war boat. We were six days on the river, which is thickly populated with a good sort of people at the lower part, and all of whom ridiculed the idea of our wishing to see the river. We were chased from four to five miles by an hippopotamus—a very large one. It was a hot chase. We fired two bullets at him, which gilded off him. He seemed to come on top of the water like a leopard on shore. When he got close enough, we put two bullets in his breast, which made him turn. They are very numerous in the Lufiji, as well as alligators. After we had explored the river we went to several islands along the coast. Further south, one we went to was strewn with wild chickens and enormous turtles; another with goats; another with coral and crabs. It is very dangerous on the coast, so many reefs and sands. Me and Ted take the boat to the mainland, a distance of thirty miles, with goods and people for the journey.

Mr. Stanley is much pleased with us in the way we handle the boat. He is a good man to be away with. We share just as he does in everything. We got on proper here. Ted blew the bugle to the Sultan of Zanzibar. He was very much pleased. We went to an evening party on Monday evening, and shall go to-night on board Her Majesty's ship Thetis, where Ted will perform. We have plenty of everything. We have just the same as Her Majesty's service and the American Consulate, where we are staying.

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