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we came over a beautiful  
country yesterday - a vast  
hollow with much culti  
vation is intersected by a  
ridge on which the villages  
are built - the path runs  
along its top and we see the  
fine country all spread out  
below with different shades  
of green marking the plantations  
this great hollow is drained  
by the Kunda = into Lualaba  
Today we descended into  
another hollow drained  
by the fast flowing Ka-  
hembai into Kunda then  
on to another ridge with  
a great many villages  
burned off by Matereka's  
foray - The[We] met the horde  
climbing up on to the ridge  
as we went N W. They  
slept on the ridge and  
next morning in sheer  
wantoness set their lodgings  
on fire = The slaves had  
evidently carried the fire  
along and applied it to villages  
in their route - It was done  
only because they could  
do it without danger -  
and it was such fun to  
make Mashenebe houseless  
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It is in answer to my prayers that I have  
been mercifully prevented from going  
down river for I would have been the  
leading canoe into the narrows and it  
is said cataract beyond the entrance

a dyke of rock cuts across country &  
the two points of it a little ajar cause  
the enormous mass of water to wheel  
behind one and make a whirlpool  
in which canoes are carried round & round  
helplessly - Had we gone down Luamo  
as I wished the same danger would have  
been incurred = I now go across to the  
Lomame - buy a canoe there and go up  
to Katanga = It is probable that the Dyke  
down river runs across into Lomame  
so even if past the first narrows we  
should have others to ascend in Lomame

I wrote to Moenemokaia to take  
my watch from Shereef and keep it till  
a safe conveyance turned up - and  
as Shareef used monthly 3 dotis calico  
for himself - 2 D° for his woman 2 D°  
for each of his slaves besides beads and  
knew he was breaking consuls orders - he  
was to be delivered to the Governor for Sayed  
Majid = I dont know whether Syed bin  
Majid will do as I say but all will see that  
I feel very sore as to the watch and that  
I am without one to measure distances  
and position = Shereef brought 8 cases  
of brandy for his own use and made  
my porters carry it so I paid for the drunk  
ards swill = I asked also why he had  
destroyed the consult's packet containing  
the list of goods & notice of the watch -  
I shall send by Dugumbe's people for my  
goods and will come back here to recieve  
them

River fallen 3[2] feet - dark brown water  
and wreck still floating down