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24 DoDo Kamolondo is about [^][twenty] five miles broad The Lufira at Katanga is a full bowshot wide - It goes into Kamolondo - Lui means water only Kayumba chakoma is East of Lufira junction Kikonzi Kalanzais on the West of it and Mkana of the underground dwellings still further West - some are only 2 days from Katanga = Charwe people are friendly - Kamolondo about ten days distant from Katanga

25<sup>th</sup> News have come of four men sent near to this to buy ivory - were pressed to go to war and then a war made when 2 were killed - We can go no where but the people wish us to go to kill others - a dreadful state truly

They force on a war against others by getting traders to go ostensibly for trade then send word that war is coming and call out here it is - They a fray takes place inspite of all traders can do -The Manyema are bloodminded & no mistake - I refused to send my men to bring back Abed and Hassani's people they would only add to the con fusion being as bloodthirsty as the Manyema where no danger exists Where the people can fight traders and people are as civil as possible - At Moenvempandes Bogharib left a debt of 28 slaves and did not dare to fire a gun - Here his people bound the headmen of villages till tusks were brought for mere nothing - It is a sad sad tale to tell as this Manyem villainy The Lord look on it CXXII - note

I was not aware of Mr Youngs search trip up Shire & Nyassa till February 1871 but I [...] el [am] extremely thankful to H M Government and all concerned in kindly enquiring after my fate - Musa and his companions are fair average specimens [^][for heartlessness and falsehood] of the lower classes of Muhamadans in East Africa The Sultan who knows his people better than anyone else cannot entrust any branch of his revenue to even the better classes of his subjects but places all his customs [^][income] and money affairs in the hands of Banians from India and his father did the same before him - When the Muhama dan gentlemen of Zanzibar are asked why their Sultan places all his pecuniary affairs in the hands of aliens they at once frankly assert that it is on account of their almost universal falsehood and dishonesty - In their case religion and morality are completely disjoined [ostentatious promises dont imply decency][[...] Hence the idea of making any sacrifice to propagate Islam is to them a farce and in all their long intercourse with the natives on the mainland they have propogated nothing but syphilis and the domestic Bug - With the disease they have been unfort unhappily [^][too]] successful and the wide prevalence skin disease and bleared eyes therefrom in their own offspring makes it apparent that unlimited polygamy is no barrier to the spread of this foul complaint - Neither Portuguese nor Arabs have sold trade brandy to the natives - the only reason I can discover for this great difference between the East and West coasts is that they are all too eager topers of it themselves to carry it any distance