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The sepoy who was plundered now walked quite briskly - The shakings were a sham to decieve me - After a two hours march we came to Mtarika's former village - The country changes a high ridge lies on the other N. side of the river and beyond that another but all is uninhabited Kangomba lived there but now is near Machemba - The rocks are now sandstone and there are large holmes on which maize flourishes [0006]

As we approached Mtarika's the land sloping for a mile down to the river is covered with a very large population some making new gardens others enjoy ing the last year's crop but all so well furnisshed with white calico that they will not touch ours - The market is glutted & the exchange has been chiefly slaves They say that the reason why Arabs tie people to trees and leave them to die is "They are vexed [0007]when the slave cannot walk further that they have lost their money" The road is almost strewed with slave sticks I suspect that the people here make a practice of following slave caravans and cutting off the sticks of those who fall out in the march and thus stealing them = Rovuma is about100 yards broad and still has the same character of rapid stream & sandy islands - Large islands are always occupied as being partly defensible

station we rest on the 2^d July to make up for our want of it on the 1^{st} we call [n] not buy [8000][...] ood readily - but we [...] t as much very dearly as keeps us going on one meal a day - Wish we were off the slave tract -People have heard of our wish to stop the slave trade and seem rather taken aback when told that we[they] are art & part the guilty persons

they are startled at

Here at Mtarika's old

the accounts we give Of the mortality we
have witnessed and
dumfounded when
we shew them that in
the eye of their Maker
They are guilty - If they
did not sell the
Arabs would not buy
[0009]

Chuma & Wikatani [...] g what is said very eloquently in Chiyau All are Waiyau here with only a sprinkling of slaves from other tribes = Chemseia – chimsaka & Mtarika are Waiyau -

The slope here has yielded large crops of Sorghum = congo beans and pumpkins - Here and there oozing springs present moist spots where rice has been sown - People very curious - great crowds come to gaze - never saw such a strange being before = My [0010]

[...] earance and acts
[...] ten cause a burst of
laughter - If I rise up
suddenly a flight of
women - to prevent
peo[e]ping into the hut
I occupy I do my
writing in the verandah
Chitane the poodle and
the calf of the buffalo &
one donkey are greeted
with the same amount
of curiosity & comment
as myself -

Every evening a series of musket reports

are heard = they make them sound as loudly as possible - It is said "they are going to sleep" they must have plenty of powder - all imitate [0011] The Arabs in dress [...] in chewing tobacco & "nora" or lime instead of betel nut and lime -

The women are stout well built persons with rather thick arms & legs - The lip rings are not large - the tattoo a mixture of the Makoa & Waiyau = fine blue & black beads are in fashion and so are brass arm coils Nangazu a gum used for inlaying combs [Calculations.] [0012]

 $[...] \stackrel{d}{=} July 1866$. Smokes begin here today - I can scarcely see the mountain Chisungule which was quite visible yesterday arrived at Mtarika's new place after a march of 2 hours Waited for chief to come but he did not appear until he had heard all about us - Population immense - they are making new plantations and they are laid out by straight lines of a foot wide made with the hoe = one goes miles without getting off the marked spots [0013]

It is scraggy forest [...] a all are busy cutting down the trees and heaping the branches so that when they are burned large spaces will be manured with the ashes = Mtarika a big ugly man with receding for ehead &large mouth came and saw all out curiosities as the watch - pistol - gun, &[a] breech loader - sextant Gave him a lecture on the evil of selling his people - Wished me to tell all the others - they dont like the idea of guilt being attached to their having sold people whose lives are lost in the way down to the sea [0014][4 July 1866] a long visit from Mtarika who is a good deal of a beggar - more so than any we have met in this journey - brought two meals of porridge & wild pig & bean leaves - gave him a cloth & an untsiva powder case = a SwaheliArab in wretched case and old - I gave a cloth to cure his Rheumatism

5th July 1866 - Leave for Mtende's who is near to Mtarika but the last station before a three days tramp without population Kandulo is more to the North -

We had a gentle shower [0015] last night & the air is so far cleared that we can see great mountain masses in the blue distance S. & S.E.[W.] country still covered with open forest but so undulating that on the

crest of the waves we gain a view of the distant mountains It is cold to the feelings and sky overcast -

 $6^{\underline{\text{th}}}$ July 1866 - -Yesterday - Mtende invited me to go & eat at his house where he had provided a large mess of rice porridge & congo beans as a relish = Hesays that very many Arabs come this way [0016]and many die in it -- knows of no deaf & dumb person in the country - has imbibed some Arab manners and says he cuts all animals throats before he eats of them = does not eat lion or hyena because they eat men A person accused of having eaten human flesh was lately killed by poison & then burned We passed the spot His clothing - was hung up on the trees by the roadside - this was probably a Muave - case -[Calculations.]

[0017]

7th July 1866 -

Got men from Mtende to go on to Mataka a five days journey - He asked a cloth for himself to ensure his men going the whole way - I gave one worth this is the only thing like the tribute I have paid as yet Upland vegetation flowers Trees dotted here & there among bush five feet high or so - & one can often see horizon = fine blue flowers [A drawing of the flowers referenced in the text.] yellow D° Ridge & valley as in Londa with trickling rills in the valleys - They run S.E. Garden willow looking plants in full flower = [A drawing of the plant referenced in the text.]

[0018] at 11 AM [Calculations.] 4 Hours in all to Lemile

The sepoy Perim either stole or threw away a good many Pounds of tea - and the tin lining also - I reproved him for this and gave him the boat's sail to carry instead telling him that if he threw away any of that I would punish him - He & another gave over their loads to a stranger - skulked behind & when we had waited 2 hours for them the Havildar said that they would not obey him - I gave Perim & the other some smart cuts with a cane [0019][Calculations.]

8th July 1866 - Hard travelling through a country destitute of inhabitant = covered with trees a little larger than hop poles - soil sometimes sandy but at other times the reddish soil which is very favor able to Sorghum - Many bush Kumba or gum

copal trees - It is said
that game abounds
but we see none - Water
not scarce - Mountain
[0020]
masses all around
[A drawing of the mountain masses referenced in the text.]
a great deal of ferrugin
ous conglomerate
lying on surface
but rock generally
is granitic - at
Mtende's fine grained
schust

The Gum copal tree is called Mchenga - yields gum when wounded & is used to make bark cloth but there are no diggings - [0021]
[Calculations.]

Two Sepoys reported behind - came up an hour after dark = Many Masuko trees met with today - also Rhododen -drons -

[0022]

$$2 [H] 20 [] + 1 [H] - 45 [M] + 1 [H] == 5 [H] - 5 [M]$$

9 $^{\rm th}$ sleep in a wild spot [^] [near Leziro Mt.] with many lions about - serenaded by one hoarse fellow -

$10 \frac{\text{th July } 1866}{\text{ July } 1866} =$

morning - 3 Hours to Lokando rivulet running here W S W - a range of Mountains lies on our left seems to be E & W + $3^{\rm H}$ $10^{\rm M}$ 6 [H] 10 [M] in all to - rivulet where we

 $11^{\underline{\text{th}}}$ 1 [H] 30 [M] over a country rising in ridges & having streams at the junction of each two [0023]

a dead body in a hut by wayside - many Masuko trees but fruit not yet ripe - very few birds seen or heard

Two sepoys behind sent Each for them - One an inveterate skulker - All have the childish perversity of repeating their misdemeanours as if to wear one out - Havildar has no authority over them - $\frac{1}{2}$ more to R^{t} + 1-35 to sleeping place 4 35 in all – Lapata [Nakatette] We cross many running rivulets every day - One good sized one Lisinyando goes to Rovuma [0024]

12 July 1866 - a drizzling mist set in during the night and continued this morning - We set off in the dark however having left our last food for the Havildar & those behind

In two hours & thirty five minutes came to the Lenata a stream flowing south away to the Loi[e]ndi - the last Rovuma stream the Liyombe was crossed this morning at 9 AM it cleared up - \pm [2] - 35 + 1-25 to Balalo Rt + 1 [H] to Msapa Rt [0025]

An Arab brandy bottle broken in the stream which is a brawling one over metamorphosed sandstone & many Podastemons in it 5=45 to Luatize our last stage before getting to Mataka's -

Luatize is about 40 yards wide & waist deep - has Hippopotami further down & is the main feeder of Loendi - the country undulating & covered with masses of green foliage chiefly Masuko trees

[0026]

13th July 1866 - several Johanna men behind - our provisions done but we hope to reach Mataka's today - In coming 2-35 this morning we crossed six running streams soil all reddish clay - Grass long & thickly planted - Mountains all about - a weary march & long = clay baked hard by many feet is sore on feet

We have many behind now and having pushed on till near the gardens I sent on men to buy food and return with it to where we sleep on the brow of a hill - Will send to Havildar tomorrow [0027] 2-35 + 45 + 1 = 4-20 at Noon + 1 to rivulet + 1-15 6 [Hour] - 35 [M] in all =

Passing fifteen running rivulets today all feeders of the Loendi - some were from 5 to ten yards wide & all have delicious, cold water - some oozing places shewed iron rust in abundance - Rock a dark trap - [sleep] on a knoll one hour from the gardens

14th Arrived at Mataka's an Arab -"Seph" [Rupia or Rubea] hearing that we were hard put to it by hunger kindly met up with an ox & large bag of meal - then [0028]with some cooked ox meat = sent food backto Havildar by two of Mataka's Waiyau = Men came on to the town which is really such & most of the huts are built square in Arab fashion - The approach has is by a succession of ridges some 500 feet high with running streams at the bottom of each = The air is cold here - and we seem in a circle of mountain ridges - We are 2700 feet above the sea - Cassava is cultivated in the streets in long lines and give the town an orderly appearance [0029]

Mataka kept us an hour waiting for him and then he came dressed as an Arab = is about50 years of age = a flatnose and smiling face - made remarks to his people which he expected them to laugh at & they did = gave a hut - squareand sent a good mess of porridge & cooked meat = has plenty ofcattle = We stand a greatdeal of staring unmoved which is something for it is often accom -panied with remarks by no means compliment -tary - but they think that they are not understood & perhaps I misunderts[st] and sometimes [0030]

We have had a very severe march of eight days

| [Hour] 4 | Lemile |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | Lemata |
| 4-15 | |
| | Lions |
| 5-5 | |
| | Lapata |
| 4 35 | • |
| | Lenata |
| 6 10 | |
| | Luatize |
| 5-45 | |
| | - send for food from $K_s[r]$ oll |
| 6 35 | |
| | Mataka's - |
| 2-30[5] | |
| _ 50[0] | |
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| 39 5 [0] | |
| 00 0[0] | |
| 2 ½ | |
| <u>4</u> 12 | |

96 miles say 100 actually

 $15\underline{^{th}}$ July 1866 The whole Arab party set off this morning with all their slaves for Kilwa - Seph [^] [Rupia] the leader was glad to get away so cheaply - I gave him three cloths -[0031]and Mataka two - Seph says that more than a hundred Kilwa people have died on this road during the past season that there are two roads to Nyassa one towards Kotakota bay the other to Makata - This seven days to Kotakota five but the longer one has most people and provisions on it Jumbe demands 24 yards for each parcel carried over - While Makata goes in boats or canoes only an ox 1 ½ gorahs or pieces

A number of Makata's people went to Nyassa & without his knowledge carried off cattle & people When they came here he ordered all to be sent back [0032]I told him that this was the best piece of news I had heard in the country He seemed pleased with my approbation and said to his people you hear what he says - -- - you think I am wrong in returning the captives - all good men

will approve as he does & I have been accidentally a spectator of the party going back - I counted the women & children at fifty four the lads will make a dozen or so more The cattle 24 head & one or two were slaughtered by the owners this morning to exchange the meat for meal & maize [0033]

16<u>th</u> July 1866 - Poorly -

17th Gave Mataka a trinket to be kept in rememberance of his having sent back the captured cattle & people to Nyassa. said He would always act in the same way - As it was spon-taneous on his part it is all the more valuable -

a little rain fell yesterday - the Havildar has killed the last donkey by striking it on the head - driving it into difficult boggy places with its load on = He has spent 14 days in doing what we have done in eight Has stopped at a village about one hour from this & sent on Ramnack with a demand for 3 carriers [0034] He told Ramnack that I would pay for a carrier It has become the custom for the sepoys to say to the country people "Carry for me & Sahib will pay you" - Yesterday one came up with a woman! carrying his musket bayonet & belts -

I paid her because she had been told by him that I would do so & she being a woman - but am determined to pay no more - If I do we shall run out of cloth and all starve on account of sepoy laziness - They are quite a disgraceful spectacle - so hang dog looking the country people call them the slaves [0035]of the party - They have no spirit nor pluck as compared to the Africans if one feels his legs sore in the march he turns aside to the first village and begs in the most abject manner - I feel quite ashamed of them -

A number of Waiyau plundered an Arab slave party on the Western side of the hills of both slaves and cloth saying in defence that an Englishman had come & told them that no more slaving could be allowed - It did not occur to the Arabs to say that I had not yet come into that part of the country [0036]
[Calculations that include the late...]

[Calculations that include the latitude "South of Makata's town."]

18th July 1866 The Waiyau are far
from handsome - the
women generally are
coarse and their mouths
are made hideous by
the lip ring & filed teeth
[0037]
but they seem strong &
able for their work - Many
of the men too are large

strong boned fellows -

The soil here is hard red clay - Houses made of it stand well - got a dish of [^] [green] peas from young Makata today -

 $19\underline{^{\rm th}}$ July 1866

Went to wash at a rivulet a mile [b]ack - large patches of peas in bloom & seed are planted on the holmes - They are called Gunda sawsaura & have probably been intro -duced by the Arabs they are sown at the beginning of the cold season - They bear abundantly - many [0038]small springs appear in the hollows of this hilly spot and in one real irrigation was going on the water being regularly laid on food is very abundant and cheap - sweet potatoes become very large - We got two large bundles for 3 cubits & 2 needles = They probablyexceeded 1 cwt. in weight maize very large - The Height above the sea - The richness of the soil - The abundance of water & labour makes it as desirable a residence as Magomero but instead of three weeks easy sail we have three months of [0039]hard travel to reach it!

 20^{th} July 1866

Ramnack Lucknuck &

Pando heard bargaining for fowls for the powder of their cartridges denied the fact though the powder was there in a rag & the cartridge papers lying before them & one of the natives held them up & said these belong to them The Ramnack thinking it was Simon Price who had reported him told him if he saw him in the jungle he would shoot him - or wherever there is no English law I told him that being consul English law went where I did and I certainly would hang him wherever he made the attempt [0040]

It was Juma who called my attention to the trans--action and I found the bargain proceeding myself He has threatened to shoot Simon three times - I told him that I would have flogged him but for my belief that he had not the courage to shoot a cat except in a secret way - any of the country people here could strip a sepoy naked without any resistance from him -

Groaning seems a favourite way of spending the time with some sick folk - Three sepoys with very little ailing them played at it rigourously outside my door & prevented my sleeping - I told them if so ill that [0041] they required to groan they had better remove a little

way off - They preferred the verandah and at once gave up the groaning -A boy mound some hours in the house but when bed time came I explained that people usually groaned only when too ill to be sensible of it - He groaned no more though he became worse - An English sailor of the Pioneer moaned lustily while ill and one morning after he became quite well he forgot on awaking that he was better and commenced a sonorous groamn till fairly aroused by the laughter of the spectators

[0042]

[20^[...]] The Havildar came up today denies striking the beast on the head - says the sepoys wont obey him - lie down admits that a good deal of it is sham & pretence -The Arab Seph Rupia gave as I requested him provisions to the Havildar & his people - They eat these and continued in the same place - He left his things and came on to tell me – send back on the 21^{st} the Havildar one Nassick boy & two sepoys with cloth rice and potatoes to bring up the other sepoys who are lagging behind - Went off growling = a seedy set of soldiers verily -[0043][Three small drawings and one large drawing of houses] [Drawing of a house with a thatched roof.]

 21^{st} July 1866 - a slave

party arriving from the coast inaugurates itself by a continual discharge of guns which is responded to by the lullilooing of the women - The slaving party is called a <u>Safari</u> and is a regularly organized body under a leader called Nahuda This [^] [one arriving] has eleven underlings who each transacts business for himself [0044]

Their movements are made according to the orders of the Nahuda and he arranges any differences that may arise -

Called at Mataka's house a large number of idlers sit before him and are ready to respond with a laugh to any remarks he may make - He had evidently never met those who could not speak his own tongue for he thought it remarkable that we have only three who can speak Waiyau - asked what one ought to take [0045]to Bombay if he wanted to get money for it - I replied, ivory, He rejoined would slaves be bought they would put him in prison if he took them there for sale - This rather turned the laugh against him the lordly Mataka for he winced at the idea of being put in chokzee = Thought people who crowd to him ought to give him something

for being here to supply their wants - I replied if he would fill the fine country with people which is now desolate instead of sending them off to Quiloa he would confer a benefit but we were starved in the way to him - told him what the English would do in road making in such [0046]a well watered country This led us to talk of railways & ships - and ploughing with oxen - This last idea struck him most I said I should like some of the Nassick boys to stop & teach him these & other things & probably some would come but they were afraid of being again sold = He neverheard so decided protests against slaving before We introduce a new idea or one at least which only floated vaguely in their minds when we assert the guiltiness of those who sell as well as those who buy slaves who in great part [0047]are destroyed before they reach their destination

22 July 1866 was too ill all day to have service -Dysentery from passing from scarcity to full rations has befallen several as well as myself - tried chor[lo]rodyne

23^{<u>d</u>} I am a little better but waiting for the sepoys who seem to expect me to go back for them - I cannot send the country people because they are afraid of being stolen by Makanjela's people if they go in that direction - Nor can I send the Nassick or Johanna men because the sepoys have made themselves odious to all threatening to shoot them if they found them in quiet spot away from the English power [0048]

They say that they would go anywhere or do anything for me but for the sepoys they have sworn never to help them - I suspect that the Havildar has been afraid of them all along -

24 July 1866

25 = ill with dysentery

26 & 27 somewhat better wrote to Major Muter about the sepoys and sent it enclosed to D^r Seward at Zanzibar

We were going to start this morning but the chief, Mataka, said he was not ready with flour & meat for us we must wait another day - This morning 27 July he gave an ox [0049]which we slaughtered at once The four sepoys who remained behind to eat the fine young buffalo came up today saying the tigers had eaten it They had left the spot where the donkey died in order to slaughter it out of the way A woman passed & reported this -

It is clouded all over every day from about 10 AM - and it is cold and many people have coughs

Abraham's uncle came among the crowds that flock to see me - He made himself known to the uncle and found that his mother and two sisters had been sold into slavery after he was, and taken to the coast - The uncle asked him to stop here and I wished him to remain with Mataka but he [0050]says How can I stop where I have no mother & no sister - Another uncle turned up & recieved the same answer - The affection seems to go to the mother -

The abundance of grain is accompanied with great numbers of large mice which are very impudent playing all manner of pranks by night -

 28^{th} July 1866

- Moembe district
- Pesimba
- Jungle
- Mbanga Do
- Nkulumba
- Ngombo

[0051]

Mataka gave a good lot of flour & arranged for men to go on as far as the Lake - the country a mass of mountains with gushing streams[burns] all of which are made use of as means of irrigation $[\widehat{\ }]$ or $[\widehat{\ }]$ [or drains of] damp places - many channels cleared out so as to save all the water for irrigation = $[\widehat{\ }]$ [or drain the] [spots which are too damp] A great many patches of peas in full bearing & flower - much rust of iron in streams Trees small & scraggy except in the hollows -

Villages everywhere with
from 50 to 150 houses patches of cultivation on all
the hill sides = We rise higher
and higher as we go W & SW
The mountain tops rise about
2000 at most above where
we travel - many ups &
downs make it fatiguing
[0052]
[Calculations relating to the distance "to PesimbaPezimba'sMagola's]

Large trees in the hollows with leaves 15 inches long by 5 broad Ung[^] [u]ongo - dont eat fruit but large grubs come out of the fruit & they eat them - looks like a fig - seems fit to form canoes

29th a strong scud from
South sweeps along
every day bringing
much moisture =
Andrew & Reuben two
Nassick boys remained
behind and we have
to send for them - the
boy Reuben is an inveterate
lazy drone & while he
carried the ammunition
box 200 cartridges went
out of it - He always

[0053]

lagged behind and enabled the sepoys to steal - Then has been a general stealing by the sepoys & others = This is very distressing

Andrew came up with two men I sent for him - says a pain in his chest was the cause - He mentioned it to no one - Reuben still behind - sent 3 men for him -

Says he is going to stop with Mataka - sent for the musket a Govt. one

30th July 1866 a very strong E[S]outh wind 55° driving masses of fleecy clouds before it see if this is not a storm on coast [0054]

 $30^{\rm th}$ July 1866

1 [H] - 10 [M] to old village - 1 - 20 to Pezimba = 2 [H] 30 [M] in allThe village consists of 200 houses & huts - It is placed very nicely on a knoll between two gushing burns which as usual are made use of for irrigation - A great deal of rust of iron appears by one of them - The head man said that we had a good piece of jungle before us and if we left now at midday we should sleep twice before reaching Mbango - We therefore [0055]remained - An Arab party hearing of the

English coming passed this away through the country Southwards We have now begun our West[Southern] descent for we came down 300 feet in 2½ hours crossed many rivulets There is a decided scantiness of trees on the mountains and some are bare of everything but grass The water-shed parts streams to the Loendi & Rovuma - water clear and cold - Ambarre is here called Nyumbo [0056]

Beautiful flowers are seen but none in seed a[one] Polygala very pretty

[Drawing of a flower.] A great deal of Fern in spots - Rhododendrons and certain trees whose foliage is arranged to look like silver firs in the distance

Mica schist crowned some of the heights in the watershed - Then gneiss and now we have igneous rocks of more recent date cropping out

[0057] [Calculation.]

 31^{st}_{-} July 1866

Pezimba cooked a good supper for us all and this morning desired us to wait as he had not enough of meal pounded yet - It is decidedly milder here though we have come down only 300 feet We had stars & clear sky which we seldom had during our stay at Mataka's [0058]

1 [H] + 1-30 + 1 + 2 = 5-30 to Ntewire Mountain where we slept by a stream the Msapo -

1st August 1866
Two Johanna men
behind - sent back for
them - a very large
Arab slave party
were near to us and
fled as soon as they
heard of our approach
taking a pathless course
across country

Arab party consisted of 10 encampments each capable of holding 80 or 100 slaves = Johanna men had sat eating corn & Musa applied the rod & on they [came] [0059] 1 [H] - 10 [M] + 35 + 1 - 15 = 3 + 45 to a stream near Mbango

2 August 1866 - cheered by sight of yellow grass and trees dotted over wide space as in the Bechuana country - Birds sang [M]errily this morning inspired by the cold which was 47° at 6. AM - Gum copal trees & bushes all over the country but people do not dig for the gum if it exists - Marks of former cultivation in the ridges this people raise

to plant beans = cassava & maize upon, are very abundant - also the tubes used by smiths in their furnaces and many potsherads all [0060]

or most exhibiting the imitation of basket work impressed on the clay

4 hours to Mbanga a village embowered in tree Euphorbias and wild fig trees = country open with but little forest grass tall - no animals of any kind seen or even their marks = [Calculations.]

3^d August 1866 -

Take Lunars == & reman at Mbanga = Head man civil cooks for us us - Every -thing Arab fashion ==

 4^{th} Aug. march to a village on same level = Miule 1 [H] - 30 [M] and at the request of the chief who says we shall sleep in the jungle if we leave today I decide to remain over night = Asked himlast night what had be--come of the very large population which formerly occupied the highlands and smelted iron He replied a great many had died in years of famine - others had fled to the West of Nyassa [0062]

Had never heard of stone being used as hatchets or spear heads - never dug any of them up I have seen wooden hoes and wooden spears but never [s]tone ones -

5th Aug. 1866 leave Miule and march towards Lake Nyassa

In 1841 I saw a bushwoman with a round stone & a hole in it [A drawing of the stone referenced in the text.] H[sh]e shew me how she used it by inserting the top of a digging stick in it and digging a root - It gave weight[A drawing of the stone in the ground, as referenced in the text.]

[0063][A calculation apparently adding the number of hours between locations.]

[6th Aug 1866] Slept at the last stream that runs to the Liendi Passed seven running burns - one the Longuena seems to be the chief the sound of gushing water is by no means an unfamiliar one on these highlands but the water at 62° is too cold for us to bathe in Passed two cairns in coming down the slope with the Lake in view people ignorant of their origin - thought that they were gathered by persons making gardens -[0064]

 $6^{\frac{\text{th}}{\text{A}}}$ Aug/66 - 1-30 + 1-20 to Misinje going to Lake = 25 yds wide & knee deep -[Calculation.] [We] cross Misinje [^] [again] & sleep at village there = - a woman is the chief here and various persons bring presents of food which rather complicates matters as we dont know to whom to make returns suitable to a head man's position & claims & to whom to give just about the price of the present I gave a cloth to woman chief - pressed me to stop but we came on [0065]

[7 Aug] 1 [H] - 40 [m] to vil. on Misinje again - we cross it third time Headman possessing much curiosity & generosity pressed us to stay - Mt[ew]ando is his name = the country abounds in food He gave 4 fowls & 3 large baskets of maize & pumpkins, also Elands fat off a fine male as seen by his horns = country here considerably warmer than higher up

8th Aug. 1866

crossed Misinje again and then marched 2 hours to a little stream + 1-30 == 3-30 to village at confluence of [...]—[Misinje] [Misinje] of the East with Lake

Nyassa = Thanks to God
[0066]

We are opposite Senga or Tsenga the hills of which appear thus [Drawing of the hills referenced in the text.] Kirk's range looms dimly behind & South of them and more clearly the outline of Cape Maclear in the South [Drawing of a mountainous landscape.]

Headman here very friendly in giving food His people shew the greater darkness of the hot humid climate Those on the heights are lighter = he has a thickwig on [Drawing of the individual referenced in the text.] is[He] has good features but is very dark [0067]He has some cows of Mataka and gave me milk - & boiled Hippo's meat = cassava & milletporridge - Pleasant to hear the roar of the sea and bathe in the rollers I feel exhilerated as if I had come back to an old home which I did not expect again to see

9th Aug 1866 - a man brought a hundred sanjika & Mpassa dried for sale = people here bought them up for retail to us - the Mabele or Millet porridge is not so bad as we found it [0068] when cooked by the women here -

10th Aug. 1866 delicious bathing in Nyassa - send off Wikatani with Sultan's letter to Jumbe to ask if he can ferry us across in his dhow to Kotakota = Juma or Jumbe has made that place too hot for himself and now proposes to come & live here at Loangwa When Mataka's people

carried off the people and cattle from Lozewa which we saw sent back [0069]he pounced on the stores of grain they left and to which those who escaped naturally returned = since thenhe has felt insecure and will probably come here as the headman will welcome him as a protection against the Waiyau who now inhabit Ngombo about ½ [a] day south of this -

Namtambwe a bird which sings very finely with a strong voice after dark = noticed here at Misinje confluence [0070]

Two headmen came down the country after us to see how we were treated as they express it. They advise going to Mataka's where the Lake is narrow,

 11^{th} Aug. 1866 Two coast Arabs came and offered a dhow which belongs to a Kilwa man to take me across for ten goiahs or pieces of cloth each 26 cubits I offered 10 dollars or £2 if they would take me up the Lake then across to Kotakota After haggling they agreed & went off this morning 12 Aug/66 to bring it - to me at the

[0071] confluence of Misinje
We are on Lat 13° [...] [32]' 40"
S. or 5' S of Kotakota
latitude =

 $13^{\underline{\mathrm{th}}}$ Aug/66 - Took boiling point obsns & writing or transcribing diary - The head man a Manganja one is very liberal with food - says that he is in fear of the Waiyau south of this - He has the cattle of Mataka and that chief told his enemies not to molest him -Juma or as he is here called Jumbe was here lately making arrangements for a residence here - He has made Kotakota & Losewa too hot for himself and according [0072]to other a[A]rabs by selling and sometimes killing the people = no Arab state can ever rise here as all their efforts are directed to getting possess of the people for export to the coast - this headman is anxious to have Juma as a protection from the Southern Waiyau but he will do here as he has already done further North

Bought a frame full of fish as large as Yarmouth bloaters many of them full of spawn - they are Sanjika = Mpasa & Bawala -[0073]

The slow fire makes

them quite hard, and had they been salted they would have been very like red herring, - the [Drawing of what appears to be a fish.] headman gives me milk & people who come down country sell us plenty of maize - - meal - potatoes and cassava - pumpkins = with milk I feel "in clover"

14th obliged to supplant Wikatani & Chuma in the cooking department on account of inveterate carelessness = and alwayslosing my things - They allowed the Shupanga men to consume my sugar and last night left a basin outside to be stolen -[0074]I am sorry to part with them thus but they evidently prefer the favour of these two thieves to mine -

A swell on the Lake is attributed by the headman without hesitation to wind in the S.W. -

North is [M]photo

South - Komero [Moeli]

West [Molsamba]

East [Phuma]

 $15^{\underline{\text{th}}}$ sent Musa to see what detained the dhow - Took Lunars -

16th Musa came back says that the dhow had gone to Jumbe I suspect to consult him [0075]

whom they all hate & vilify declaring that he has swept the country on the west side of all the people by murdering & selling them This is what he was doing when I saw him last This is the only way in which their energies are bent very few of the common Swahili can read or write - so far from prosely[ti]zing the heathen they leave their own people quite beknighted except as to what food may & may not be eaten -

Headman says that the Arabs are afraid that I take their dows & go up to the North end of Lake [0076]

* 69° 33' 40" anstr angle gives 13° 32' 39 69 20 passed a litte Loangwa

 \mathbf{m} Η 30 Mtewondo to confluence 3 to Mlinjelenze (woman chief) 40 5 from Miule to Misinje 5 30 Mbanga to Miule 1 40 $= 23 \text{ miles } 1\frac{1}{2} \text{ per ton}$ 15 32 at 2 miles

to 4 Mbanga 2 Aug. 66 45. from Mtewire Mt. to sleeping 3 Pezimba to M
tewire $\mathbf{M^{tn}}$ 30 12° 5 5 8' 30 from M[ago]las to Pezimba 2 40 Mataka to Magola's 4 25 at $1\frac{1}{2}$ 30 miles = 41 20 73

 $[Calculations.] \\ [0077]$

16 - 19 engaged in map making and writing up journal A report reached us that Englishmen had come after us with buffaloes & they had reached Mataka's & had two [ey]es behind as well as before -Headman tells me his little afflictions one of his wives ran away - he has twenty and he was going after her - I said that he had 19 too many He replied by the usual reason but who would cook for strangers if I had but one [0078]

 20^{th} Aug. 1866 Headman's name Mkalaose = where we have been since the 8^{th}

 21^{st} start for Loangwa. 1-20 + 50 + 115 [m] = 1-55 = 4 [H] 05 [m]The Loangwa is not more than 20 yards wide near confluence with Nyassa Misinje is 60 yards at least as the same distance from the Lake - Where we crossed the Loangwa at the Arab village it was thigh deep but only a few yards of that Hired a canoe to carry a sick Johanna man this load - no food as usual at the Arab village - but a report of an Arab party cut off by Mazilu at Mirazi's - this is to deter us probably [0079]The dhow is to come to morrow = very roughstoney road along Lake from Misinje

The Rocks near the Lake of gneiss are tilted up as if shoved away from the Lake = Most are on their edges - the dip nearly vertical & the strike the long axis of the Lake = we [Drawing of rock edges.]tread on their edges as we come along a few are twisted a little but they keep the strike remarkably well and this we observed a long way off the Lake = about 20 ft perpendicular from the present level of the Lake hardened sandstorm is waterworn and quite smooth - This musstt have been its level formerly [0080]

22 Aug. 1866 Master of dhow said it would come today & today he sends a man for it at Losewa - We could get no sleep for the minute ant's capers & chirruping [Calculations.] [0081]

23^d Removal to S side of Loangwa relieved us of the pests - Arab says he has sent for dhow but they are such Liars no depend ance can be placed on a word they say -

24th a leopard took off a dog out of a house close by us last night

25 proposed to head man to send over for Jumbe's dhow - told him all the Waiyau had been friendly & helped me - why not he - He [w]as not an Arab - We save a [0082] fine fat fowl & advis[...] waiting till the man sent should return from Losewa & then we could act on the information brought

 $26\frac{\text{th}}{13}$ Sunday after Trinity –

27 wind from NE
The dhows are said
to have come over to
Losewa and are waiting
for wind to come
down here -

28th headman presented a leg of bush buck which he shot - wind high writing despatches [0083] days

- 2 -
- Chirombe's
- 3 =
- Masanje
- Then jungle and Mazitu
 Chiumola isl^d
 opposite Masanje

[People beyond Losewa on E. side]

1866 - $29\underline{^{\rm th}}$ Aug - News came this morning that the Mazitu had come to the other side of the Lake and Jumbe had fled up the hills If they had said that he had gone to an island I would have thought the matter probable but the Arabs seem to wish me to go else where than where they are in the habit of going - Writing Despatch [0084]

30th Dhow people playing me false - afraid of me probably as all the slave traders have been finished Despatches today

31st Man whom we sent to Losewa came back saying he saw no dhow - some W A Nyassa come in the morning & they saw it - Report says that

Jumbe is dead

1st Sept 1866
Resolve to go South
on Monday moda
to cross at Mukate's
L[un]ars today
[0085]

3 Sept- 1866 Went down to the confluence of the Misinje - met many of the eatable insect "Kungu" - observed two raised beaches one with will worn stones about 15 feet from present high water mark - the other for or fifty feet above same point but the last is less distinct many of the stones have been split in the usual way by heat & cold & between the two all are angular [0086]

the strike of the rocks - tilted on edge just [^] [parallel with] on[along] the major axis of Lake = made very good blue ink from a berry which yields a juice colour of dark port wine - and a little Ferri carb. ammon

4th Sept^r 1866. waiting for a Johanna & Nassick drone - who imitate the sepoys in remaining behind till we send for them -

The Poodle dog Chitane is changing the colour of its hair on the part corresponding to the ribs & It [thick] is becoming red the majority of country dogs are of this [0087] colour - the exceptions are black =

The Manganja seem an aboriginal race - They are very black and have great masses of hair with but little of the prognathous in the profile - bodies & limbs very well made women very lumpy & plain - very industrious in their gardens - working from sunrise till about eleven - Then again in the evenings - The men at their fisheries at night and generally making twine or mending their nets by day - They build the huts - the women plaster them [0088]

The "Kungu" when light ashore make a hum equal to a number of bees = they have two wings and seem to have no proboscis like Mosquitoes
It is probably the winged state of some Lake insect
[Drawing of the insect referenced in the text.] This is about the size or rather larger than it - When magnified by my glass it looks like this - They are caught with baskets when they light in large numbers ashore = & boiled in balls

Andrew remained behind purposely because a little more weight wa[...] put on his load than he chose - It was still lighter than any other As this is the second [0089] time he has done [...] ordered him 12 cuts with the ratan - made great outcry but it will have a good effect

A fish makes a hole about a foot deep & three feet in diameter with raised ridge all round - This is evidently a spawning place but people dont know this they call it their house

 5^{th} Sept^r 1866. gave Mokalaose some pumpkin seed & some pease = Hetook me to his house and gave me some beer - I drunk a little and sat & talked with him - He asked [0090]if I would like a servant to "pata mimba" not knowing what he meant by pressing the belly & gave the servant the vessel & told her to drink it - He asked if I did not wish to drink more - She then per formed the pressing on himself while he took some prolonged draughts - placing herself in front she put both hands round his waist below the short ribs and pressing gradually drew them round to his belly in front = This is perhaps to make the liquor go equally over the stomach

Reach Ngombo after 3 hours tramp along Lake = Andrew left rather than carry the lightest load of the party -[0091] [Roscher]

- Kisoongoona 3 NE of Nyassa
- he was killed there ==
- Nusseewa on Lake 4 months
- = chief is Makawa
- to him Roscher's servant returned
- Kingomanga a moyau
- m[M]arvole's house at Nuseowa
- Salim bin Abdullah his guide -
- Mamemba is Kingomanga's village
- Nusseewa is evidently Losiwa opposite Kotakota
- Makawa = Mataka and Mamembe = Tamoembe or Mataka's town
- DL
- Mangkaka chief
- Lesefa = Loséwa a Waiy[...]

[0092]

[Drawings and calculations.]

- Lehika R^t less than Misinge
- Nchamanje [- D^o]

- Musumba [bigger then Misinge]
- fobwe less
- Chia less
- Kisanga bigger than all
- S Bweka less

[0093]

[Drawings and calculations, which included references to "Cape Maclear from Ngombo 1850," Njuambo Mt, Vumaro, Misinje RRiver Chonde, Kungone, "Cape Maclear Ramalopa," "Njambiro from Ngombo", and "Senga seen at Miule".]

[Place] Longoya (Loséwa) prob La[es]éfa River less than Misinje

[0094]

$$\mathrm{D^o}$$
 18th Aug. 1866 confluence of
 $\mathrm{Loangwa}[\mathrm{Misinje}]$ & Lake Nyassa
3 - PM 28.25 - = 77°

- $-9^{\underline{\text{th}}}$ $-10 \text{ AM. } 28.3 78^{\circ}, 3$ $-3 \text{ PM } -28, 18 75^{\circ}, 5$ $-9 \text{ PM } 28, 24 = 71^{\circ}$
- $14^{\underline{\text{th}}}$ Temperature of Lake at 8 AM 71° air being 65° Lowest Temp of air obs $\underline{\text{d}}$ 61° -
- 21^{st} on way to Loangwa 9 AM $28.35 = 79^{\circ}$
- – 9 Chifumoro bigger has canoes

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- 10 Loangwa bigger
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- 11 Mkoko smaller
- 12 Magwelo at N. End -

[River on E side]

[0095]

[A hand-drawn map, which includes the following rivers: Rovuma, Misinje, Lemile, Chirungo, Lisniyando, Loelele, Longuena, Luatize, Loendi, Msapo, Lochese, Loangwle, and Loambala. He also includes the following note: "Limila a path without a river from which Rovuma begins other side Lake."]

[0096]

[Drawings of basket work that continues to the following page.]

At village on Misinje 5 [H]-40 [m] from sleeping place and down bottom of slope at 3 PM 27.81- 98°

 $7^{\underline{ ext{th}}}$ cross Misinje again at 1 [H] - 40 minutes from sleeping village at 10-40 A.M. 28.1- 80°-

 8^{th} Aug./66= small stream 2 hours from Mtewondo's vil - 9 AM 28.2. 75°

D° confluence of Luangina [Misinje] of East side with Lake Nyassa 11 AM 28.42 = 77° [0097] [Drawings of basket work that continues from the previous page.]

1 [H] - 30 [m] down slope to Lake 6 Aug 1866 at 8-15 AM $26.74 = 77^{\circ}5$

Banks of Misinje flowing to Nyassa at 10-15 AM $27.23 = 72^{\circ} =$

Rt 1 [H] 50 [m] further in at 1. PM 27.66. 80°-5 [0098]

 $1\frac{1}{2}$ S.W. Noon $26.35 - 70^{\circ}$

[1st August] Ntewire = [H] 1 SW of it 10 AM $26.3 = air 65^{\circ} =$

Near [^] [4 hours off] Mbenga 3. P.M. 26.2 - Air 73° -

2 Aug 1866 - Ridges overlooking Mbanga 6[8] AM = 25.9 AM. 26. $04 = air 66^{\circ}_{2}$ - D° - D° - Noon 25.9. 71°

Aug. 4^{th} vil Miule 1-30 from Mbanga at 9 AM $25.86 = \text{air } 65^{\circ}$ -

5 Aug. 1 ½ to our SW of Miule vil. at 9- AM $25.95 - 65^{\circ} =$

Ridge overlooking Lake & [almost one day distant] $25.75 = 77[8]^{\circ}$ 2 PM another nearer at 3 PM $25.9 - 78^{\circ}$ [0099]

 $28^{\frac{\text{th}}{\text{H}}}$ July 1866 at Noon Pass by Mj[un]jela [N° 1] 26.055 = [ans] 70°5 - Further on 3 PM 25.72 - 69° D° - - 5 PM 25.5 - 60° Pesimba[Magola's] $29^{\frac{\text{th}}{\text{H}}}$ July 6[7] AM air 53° - 25.7 -

 $\rm D^o~30^{th}$ at 7 - 30 AM - $\rm 27[5].7$ - air, $\rm 55^\circ$

one hour W. 10 AM 25.88. 62°
[H] 1 - 20 to Pezimba - 26.15 = 64
Water [^] [Loelele] goes to East & then into Chiringo which flows into Rovuma
Lochezi goes SW into

Loambala which goes into Loendi

one hour SSW - at 9 AM $26.1 = air 65^{\circ}$ [0100] [Drawing of a village and the surrounding terrain.] [0101] [Drawings of skeletons hanging from trees.] [0102]

and care to avoid giving offence are generally quite remarkable - They seem particularly anxious that no one shall be able to say that they have been unjust The bargain is closed only when the seller says "cut the cloth"- and if dissatisfied even after that he may draw back but that would be considered unmanly & would be so declared to be by the bystanders - a person may heard saying "now you may go & tell all the tribe I have cheated you" meaning I am positive that I have dealt by you fairly = "Mzungu Mbaya" bad or sti[n]gy white man was the most severe reproach they could utter and any gentleman among them would have submitted to [...] = as for fear the treatment that he & Speke su[ta]mely bore shewed con tempt only [0103]

Lozéwa Jumbe's place

Such an event as Mataka sending back the captives & cattle taken by his people cannot unfortunately be taken as typical of the general current of events in this country - but rapine and murder cannot be

considered typical either There is seldom any
chivalry shewn - but
There is much courtesy is
occasionally exhibited The duel kept [^] [certain classes of] society
among ourselves on
[...] [their] good behaviour
Here we have no duelling
and yet the punctiliousness
[0104]

a fine for employing a man at my expense

for 4 cubits a sepoys musket & belts 4 cubits 1 Amoda 4 cubits Loangwa powder out of breech loading cartridges

ceases on $28^{\frac{th}{}}$ July = left 5 Sept - D° connived at stealing 200 cartridges day he lost bale till $28^{\frac{th}{}}$

back for Reuben & musket

out of Mabruke's bale with his connivance

 5^{th} Aug.

For another man for stopping [behind after being guilty of stealing 1 fathom & 2 table cloths]
Paid 5 cubits for him

Wikatani & Chuma a basin Susi & Amoda about 10 lbs of sugar each [0105] al Bakari 15th July 8 / for 1 for

Chuma & Wikatani R 1.

to a woman for carrying

to Baraka 5 cubits

"Dirty face" stole 23 charges of

Andrew Powell's pay Reuben's D° Gardner's ceased from

5 fathoms spent sending

1 fathom & 2 cloths taken

Sakombo's off work

Mabruki's Do & his pay

Madumsa stole 15 lbs of fine powder Alimadi 7 lbs -& many cloths - say 8 or 9 [0106]

[Hand-drawn map of Livingstone's route, which includes the following places and geographical entities: NakatehgtehNakatette, Lochezi, AmbalaLoambala, Loelele, ChirugoChirungo, Likopolo, PesimboPezimbo, Mjunjda, Lodera, Luatize, Mataka, and Oizulu Range (dated 11th July and, apparently, in the South "seen from Lemata NW WNWNorth West West North West").]

[0107]

[Hand-drawn map of the directions and distances to a number of places from the central point of Lemata. These places include: Lipapa, Lizelo, Marumba, Liymbi, and Lepontobelo.] [0108]

[Hand-drawn directional map which, from the central point of Mtende's village, locates Kisiongole to the north west by north, Likwezo to the north, Lipapa to the west, and Malumba to the south west.]

Kusichita = circumcision

[Calculation related to the distance to Losewa] [0109]

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- Mtende
- Makanjela [2 days]

- Mataka 3 days
- Lemile
- Lemata mountain
- Lisinyanda R

Namabobe

- Liyombo
- Loatuze
- Mataka
- Mgandeo
- Sepo

[0114] IV

[0115]