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11th May continued -

Lomame very large - Water black - goes into
Lualaba below this - People smelt copper
and it is very cheap = They were very civil &
kind to the strangers but terrible fellows among
themselves and at last provoked
an attack in which many of the Bakuss
were killed and eighty captives taken
the s[...] angers losing not a man - or
even being wounded - They redeemed their
friends with slaves - ! !

12th a set in rain from Nor West
did not deter the market today - people
came singing and sheltered with mats
as the copper is very cheap a supply is to
be sent for by the traders the day after to
morrow - 5 days to go 5 to trade and 5 to
return them down Lualaba - Abed
says he can put the one canoe all to
rights in a few days that is put
thole pins and helm in - He melts
copper tomorrow - I have to submit
and do it as graciously as I can - fine
tastefully wrought virambas are
made - and coffee comes from
West bank of Lomame - The people
are very numerous and very handsome
all look better than Banyamwezi -
It is a perfect haul of slaves for all -

13th people were shot down
though standing in amazement at
the guns as thunder & lightning -
great numbers fell - they refused
passage through their country -
They have coffee plantations and
drink it after eating handing small
cupsful to all around - I send to
buy some - It seems good but
driled in the fruit rind -
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8th April 1871 Every headman of four or five huts is a Mologhwe or chief and glories in being called so -there is no political cohesion - The Ujijian sla[...] y is an accursed system but it must be admitted that the Manyema too have faults the result of ignorance of other peoples - Their isolation has made them as unconscious of danger in dealing with the cruel strangers as little dogs in the presence of lions - their refusal to sell or lend canoes for fear of blame by each other will be ended by the party of Dugumbe which has 10 headmen taking them by force - they are unreasonable and bloodyminded towards each other - Every Manyema would like every other headman slain - They are subjected to bitter lessons & sore experience

Abed went over to Mologhwe Kahemba and mixed blood with him - He was told that two large canoes were hollowed out and nearly ready to be brought for sale If this can be managed peaceably it is a great point gained and I may get one at an Arab's price which may be 3 or 4 times the native price - Heavy rains almost every night would prevent my progress at present even if I had a canoe There is no love lost among the three Arabs here

9th Rainy - but sent off people to cut wood for house - The Loeki is said by slaves to be larger than this but we expect Abed's party back from it in a few days with correct information on that & other points - people said to be very fierce & dangerous to the Ujijians