

Eschiyaka's Scare old canoes stuck on end into the ground

their flat parts facing the enemy, all securely lashed together by liana ropes.

NOT & PLEASANT RECEPTION.

On arriving at Esekiyaka's, the chief's house, we found him waiting for us in the midst of a crowd of similarly attired and we asked Elenge Minto if he knew anything marked savages to those we had met at the little fishing village lower down, all armed with spears and shields, while in their girdles glistened the copper handles of long, bright-bladed knives which rested on the thigh. These knives, when they talked among

themselves as the savages often did during our interview with the chief, they would grasp in their hands and emphasize every grasp in their hands and emphasize every point of their speech by the wave of a bright blade through the air, and the flash of its cooper handle as they pointed it as their neighbor. The effect of this glittering metal, added to the repulsive and hideously marked features of all who gazed upon us, showing dirty, discolored rows of filed teeth as they smiled (!) back on us-and above as they similed (1) dock on us-and Boove all, the odor of unwashed bodies, not to mention cannibal orgies, which the leering, cruel look we met at every turn too plainly revealed that these people often indulged in, was to make us wish ourselves a little further off Malinga and out in the pure breezes of mid-stream. However, the rites of blood brotherhood

were soon performed, our pale-skinned arms contrasting with the rich brown of the muscular old Esekiyaka's as we bared them to the shoulder, while the little knife used on these occasions punctured the skin just below the elbow, causing blood to flow.

We were on the point of returning to the Florida, when at tremendous clamor arose from the direction of the barriende, and shouting out that the Lufembi were upon them. Every man rushed off to the stock-nde, brandishing spear and knife. Only Essekiyaka and one or two of his aged coun-sellors remained behind, and I had my hands full endeavoring to pacify Paddy and keen him from following after the archite keep him from following after the rushing crowd of excited Malinga warriors (Snooks and Spot being in full cry at their heels), who, I leared, would leave in Paddy's iron jaws, if he once got on their track, more real cause for canine satisfaction than their floating tails of monkey-skin or fur.

A MANIA FOR BEADS.

The alarm, however, proved to be a false energing besieged by a clamoring, howling crowd, endeavoring to get near enough to exchange their spears, knives, shields and provide himself with during wood-cutting any brass rods they might possess for small blue, white and pink beads, or cowrie

blue, white and pink beads, or cowrie shells. So dense became the crowd, so per-ened by the fact that her husband had ne-

of dark red, waiting to receive us, sur-rounded by a crowd of men, armed with the native's hut to the iron deck of the Fiorida. As I got up next morning I observed them crowding down to the beach and into the canoes to come off to the steamer. On arrivmost periectly made spears and copper-handled knives we had yet seen.

ROGER CASEMENT.

ing on board Bionelo came up to me and said that the head and limbs of a woman had A New Cure for Rheumatism. Mr. J. F. Meighan, the popular Seventh street cigar dealer, awoke one morning with just been offered to him for sale. The man offering the head had asked for white beads

an attack of rheumatism in his right arm. Working around the store during the foreabout it, and he answered that the same re-quest had been put to him and that the noon made it worse. By noon the pain was so severe that he could not raise his hand to his head and had to carry his arm in a sling. people told him the nurdered woman had been one with "too much to say," so they One of his customers, on learning the facts, went across the street to E. E. Heck's drugthought the best thing to do with her was to kill and eat her. store, and at his own expense procured a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and per-

BEADS VERSUS APPETITE.

Our white chalk beads, however, had proved stronger than the desire for human flesh; hence the offer of the head and arms to our men for some of their beads. Utterly disgusted with Malinga, its dirt, its people and their hideous, repulsive countenances and still more hideous ways, we hove up anchor as soon as all the crew had reassem-

bled and started up river once more. We were now left entirely to guesswork, We were now left entirely to guesswork, to judge of what lay before us, for Elenge Minto knew nothing of the river beyond Malinga to which he had made one or two cance journeys on trading expeditions of the Lulungu and lower river people. Next day we continued our journey up broader stretches of river still between the intermin-able lines of forest trace on each side aming

able lines of lorest trees on each side, seeing a few strange-looking wild ducks, whose ex-quisite green and blue plumage, with a shade of gold running through it like the sheen of a peacock's breast, lit up the somber waters of the river as they ever and anon rose at the steamer's approach only to drop down again to the water a few hundred yards cor. Fifth.

higher up. There were silver-tailed monkeys, too, with black coats and a plentiful crop of white hair falling over the cheeks and from the back of the bead behind and quite covering the ears-beautiful things, leaping away deeper into the recesses of the forest from some swaying bough overhanging the fiver on which they had perched, watching us until we came too close for their tastes. WOMAN'S BIGHTS IN AFRICA.

The long reaches of the river opened out bend after bend and turn after turn without any sign of a village, and were beginning to think of camping for the afteraoon to get plenty of wood for next day when the wife of one of the men supplied us with food for

The alarm, however, proved to be a false one. In a few minutes the crowd resur-rounded us, grinning and leering, so we thought it advisable to retire from the chief's presence and take up our quarters on the oredeck of the Florida, where we were smerdify besized by a champion barling the grinned dependence of the end and effective argument for all the oredeck of the Florida, where we were operations.

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