

Mr. Swett writes: "From Benguella inland the cost of man-load of 56 lbs. is about \$4.25. Mail a letter to me when sending, advising how you send, whom the goods are for, and give a detailed list of contents and values, for customs and insurance purposes. Each and every kind of goods must have the weight marked on package and also given in your invoice to me. When writing kindly state that you desire to prepay charges to destination, and bill for same will be sent to you on receipt of package. Our next regular shipment to West Africa is due to leave Boston about the first of April, for which goods should reach me by the middle of March."

With pleasure we welcome Kingston "Calvary" Auxiliary Ottawa Branch. President, Mrs. Mowle; Vice-President, Mr. John Davis; Secretary, Miss J. Donnelly; Treasurer, Mrs. Sloane.

From Mrs. (Rev.) W. T. Currie.

CISAMBA, Nov. 22nd, 1897.

DEAR MRS. SANDERS,—About a couple of weeks ago Mr. Currie and I had a five days' trip among the villages. We left on Tuesday morning, arriving in the afternoon of the same day at the Ombala of Ciyuka (the chief who is building a school-house in his village). He was delighted to see us and did all he could to make our visit a pleasant one. The house he placed at our service is cleaner and better furnished than any white trader's or native houses in this part of the country. The school-house is exceedingly well built, the thatching beautifully done; doors and windows are still lacking, as they are to be made in our carpenter shop (at his expense). The chief is extremely anxious that his people learn to read and write. Mr. Currie hopes, if all be well, to send a couple of boys there the beginning of the year to start school. They will return every Saturday for the Sunday services. We spent three days with the chief, who, learning that we had planned to visit the Va-Luimbe, a people living on the other side of the Kukele river, himself escorted us to the banks of the stream—quite a large one—and saw us safely across. There was only one leaf-boat or canoe, so it took some time for all to cross, two at a time, there being four boys to carry my tipoia, three with bedding, food hamper and utensils, and another to look after Mr. Currie's ox; also two of the chief's young men as escort for the rest of the journey. Once across the stream we were in Luimbe country, but it took nearly five hours' quick walking, sometimes trotting, on the part of the boys before we got to the Ombala of Owumbu, where the chief of that district lives. The centre of the Ombala is occupied by some enormous shade trees. There we stopped, but no one came near us. Presently the boys