

sequent private interview, the king made particular inquiries whether the Missionaries had brought the Book, the Bible.

On July 28th, Mr. Wilson writes again that everything continued most encouraging. A service was held at the palace every Sunday morning, the king himself translating into Kiganda everything read and said for the benefit of those who do not understand Kiswahili.

Lieutenant Smith left Mr. Wilson at Uganda on the 30th July, and recrossed the Lake to Kagehyi, where Mr. O'Neil had remained. Much preparation was still necessary before transporting all their baggage, etc., to Uganda, but they hoped to be there at the end of October.—*Church Missionary Gleaner*.

It appears from a letter written about twelve months since from Zanzibar, by Bishop Steere, of the Universities' Mission, that the lad Dallington referred to in Mr. Wilson's letter from King Mtesa's town, as having done good service in spreading a knowledge of the name of Christ, was at one time a scholar of the Mission, and not a very promising one. The Bishop quotes the following very interesting letter from the boy: 'Nantagala, April 28, 1876.—My dear Bishop,—Let thy heart be turned to thy servant, and let me have favour in thy sight; therefore send me Swahili prayers, and send one big black Bible. I want slates, board, chalk, that I may teach the Waganda the way of God. I been teach them already, but I want you to send me Sitala Sundi, that he may help me in the work of God. Oh! my Lord, pray for me. Oh! ye boys, pray for me. And if thou refuse to send Sitala Sundi, send John Swedi. Your honour to the Queen, and my honour to you.—J. SCOPION, *alias* DALLINGTON MAFTAA. I am translating the Bible to Mtesa, son of Suna, King of Uganda. I was with Henry M. Stanley, together with Robert Firuzi: but Robert is gone with Stanley, but I being stop [*i.e.*, am staying] in Uganda translating the Bible.' The Bishop adds: "I shall, of course, send him what I can, and I am sure we shall all pray for him."

A FINE new Church has been opened in Kokstadt, in Kaffraria, about 100 miles from Natal. Only five years ago lions and other beasts roamed over the country round Kokstadt, where churches are now rising for the worship of God.

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