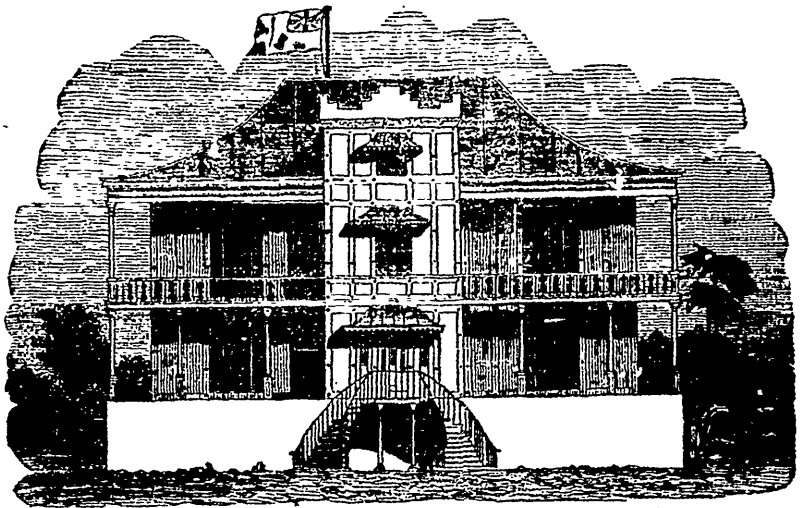


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(King Eyamba's Iron Palace.)

PRESENTATION OF A BIBLE TO EYAMBA.

On Sunday morning at seven o'clock we went ashore, all of us. Mrs Edgerly, Chisholm and Miller, had not yet seen Eyamba. Captain Becroft, Dr King and one or two other gentlemen accompanied us. As we walked through the town, Mrs Edgerly was an object of great curiosity to the people we met. We had our meeting in the state room of his iron house. It is really a fine room, about 50 feet by 30; handsomely furnished with sofas, mirrors and pictures, carpeted and papered and painted, and not crowded too much, but ill kept. There was a peacock walking about in it. We opened all the windows and doors to get air in and drive out the peacock. Pity such a fine apartment is not kept in good order. This palace, as it may be cal-

led, was made and furnished in Liverpool, and cost a great deal of money.

Presently King Eyamba and his chiefs came in. They had each a wrapper of Manchester cloth round his loins, and strings of beads and brass rings on some of their necks, ankles and wrists, and good hats, black, white and brown, on their heads. Eyamba seated himself in a chair with a canopy over it; four sofas were wheeled around; a small table was then placed in the centre, on which the Bible was put. All being seated, I stood up and made a short address to "King Eyamba and gentlemen of Duke Town," explaining our objects. Then I opened the Bible, and told them what book it was, its authority and value, and something of its contents. I then presented him with it, and concluded with