

"What would have pleased Livingstone so much is that a body of Christians can become in twelve years so numerous and formidable as to depose the most absolute and powerful king in Africa, and hold their own against any number of combinations hostile to them. What can a man wish better for a proof that Christianity is possible in Africa? I forgot to say that each member of the députation inviting Stanley's intervention) possessed a prayer-book and the Gospel of Matthew printed in Kiganda, and that as soon as they retired from my presence they went to study their prayer-books. Five of their following accompanied us for the purpose of pursuing their religious studies on the coast.

"I take this powerful body of native Christians in the heart of Africa—who prefer exile for the sake of their faith to serving a monarch indifferent or hostile to their faith—as more substantial evidence of the work of Mackay than any number of imposing structures clustered together and called a mission station would be. These native Africans have endured the most deadly persecutions; the stake and the fire, the cord and the club, the sharp knife and the rifle-bullet have all been tried to cause them to reject the teachings they have absorbed. Staunch in their beliefs, firm in their convictions, they have held together stoutly and resolutely, and Mackay and Ashe may point to these with a righteous pride as the results of their labours to the good kindly people at home who trusted in them.

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