

you see these ears ? they do not belong to me any longer, for the King is going to relieve me of them before long ! »

« Kisulé owns several farms, his skill procuring him large quantities of calico, and cauris, and numbers of goats and kine. He makes use of his wealth to dispense charity, above all to Christians. The catechumens who live at a distance from the Mission lodge with him in order to follow the instructions more easily. He gives a welcome to all sick Christians, and care for them like for his own children. Those of our neophytes who are repulsed by their pagan parents, find a safe asylum with him, and it often happens that he has more than a hundred of these charges under his roof. Yet his great generosity does not stop there. He gives food to those in chains, saves others from torture by making gifts to the executioner, and ransoms women from slavery. Coming in contact daily with many people, he knows all that is being said and done and is able to give us most valuable advice in these troubled times. It is also through him that we have been able to learn of the sufferings inflicted on many victims of the persecution. »

As for Matthew, he was spared, becoming later chief of a village in the province of Buddu, and later, chief of the province of Mawokota. He was in this position as he had always been, an honest man, and an ardent Catholic in whom one found a courageous zeal, beautiful charity, and an absolute respect for the priest. The following letter, the last that he wrote to Mgr. Livinhac shows his Christian sentiments. It is dated June 30, 1908.

« To Monseigneur Livinhac. How do you do, oh, Father, my real father ? I greet you heartily, My Father.

« Here with us, the warfares against the demon are frequent. Pray that we may obtain peace for the community of Christians.

« We have the sleeping sickness very badly ; pray God for us, in order that we may be delivered from this malady.