



## VICARIATE APOSTOLIC OF NORTH NYANZA.

### A JOURNEY IN THE DISTRICT OF HOIMA.

*Account of Rev. Father B. Drost.*

It is directly to our readers that Rev. F. B. Drost addresses the following lines. He invites them to accompany him in a journey of eight days through the district that, with his contreres,—four priests for 240,000 souls,—he evangelizes.

#### DEPARTURE.—HALT AT KYESIGA.

The 11th of April, feast of the Apparition of O. L. of Lourdes, patroness of Hoima, I had spent both the morning and evening hearing confessions, and speaking of the all powerful protection of our good Mother of heaven, so tenderly loved by our neophytes.

Before sun-set, towards 5 o'clock, carried by my bicycle, I set on my way to Parajonoki, a walk of 3 hours from the station.

Thanks to my machine, so useful in a country mission, I shall rapidly get to our catechist Michel, said I to myself. I had not been thinking of all the little and big children whom I was going to meet on the road. I had hardly gone a short distance, when I saw coming full speed towards me, envelopped in a cloud of dust, a legion of nice little negroes and negresses.

Soon the "*Tata, webare!* How have you passed the day, Father! Thank you, for coming to see us," resounds like a melodious chant to my ears. On all sides I am surrounded by this joyful band. I salute them in my