until fortunately the young Saurekai head soldier who had been appointed by his people to accompany us was sent for and explained matters. He gave us every satisfaction, and made matters appear quite differently from the Bushmen's tale.

It is said the Methodist mission intend to locate a branch in the Bolobok country, as soon as the different stations in the Saureka country are filled up. A finer country they need not have, nor a more quiet people, so far as our observation went.

Our route from Saureka was about N. N. E. through old farms - some recent and some of older date - across one small branch of Fish Town river near Kay where, we were told, were frequently taken by the natives - the stream was quite insignificant 20 or 25 feet across and mostly filled up with old dead trees and branches. Kay is distant 10 or 12 miles from Saureka big Town. The Bolobok's are bounded N. by the Toboes - South by Saureka - East by Plebs and west by Garraway Bush, distant about 15 miles. Things being in so favorable a train at Bolobok we deemed it advisable to send forward two colonists and a native Doctor of our escort to the Mallalieu, the big town of the Toboes, advising them of our approach, and soliciting from them an escort and guides through their Country. Shortly after they were sent off it began to rain, and continued perhaps to pour down gently for about two hours - the greatest quantity of rain that fell, at any one time, during our journey.

They were instructed to pass through Tubah the residence of Governor Tob, the King or headmen of the country - present our respects and a small dash which was sent him, and state to him our desire

to press forward to the big town.

After an early breakfast (October 8th) we proceeded on our way through Bolobok country to Tubah. We found the country different - more up and down and nearly ⅔ of our path was through a forest extending North 10 or 12 Miles - Nearly half way through flowed a fine branch of Fish Town River to the Westward dividing Bolobo from Toboe country - This was the original forest which had stood the blast of centuries, for many of the trees were of immense size. We there saw the Mahogany, oak, poplar, Brimstone, Whitemore &c, &c all celebrated with us for plank - besides many others unknown. Crossing 2 other small streams, we much to our joy passed into the open rice fields of the Toboes, and knew that our journey was drawing to a close - We had still however 2 or 3 miles to go, and as the town was on quite a hill, we were well fatigued when we reached it.

Much to our surprise, we met our men who had been sent ahead, outside of the town, awaiting our arrival. They informed us of their detention by Governor Tob, the present King, who told them that Minlee the old King had died the night of their arrival, and that the headmen from Mallalieu and other parts of the Toboe Country were expected on the morrow, to attend the funeral, as messengers had been despatched in every direction.

We found every thing apparently in confusion guns firing - war horns blowing - parties of women dancing, and the town full of strangers - invited in we proceeded to Governor Tob's house before the principal entrance of which by the corpse lay a little scaffold was erected on which was spread some cloths to shelter it from the