

The Pilgrims Progress" by Tiyo Soga; The translation of the Bible by Boyer Ross; U Yiza ku Yesu by and "mbuzo ka nana". There are also several pamphlets of some books written up, among them are these "Izintando Bannyama by W^m Anderson Soga ^{M.D.} 1
 "Isityilo sika Hosheloh" by Isaac Motaung;
 "Umkozi womqamlezio" by W^m W. Bottomant; "Sitimina Ngokwi" by Petwill Matshikwe; "Nongogogo" also
 "Izipeli zabantwana" and "Uncedi wabashumayeli".
 The above is a lovely lot, yet, there is scarcity of Sisosa books and it is time for them now.

The Story of Xosa Sisosa and of Xosa originally are well preserved although we are English-Xosa today. We have a strong hope that the Sisosa language will not ultimately die out because today it seems a plaything to write in papers amongst the people of Ntombela.

The Xosas are scattered all over the show. They are scattered in towns & in other places of employment. You would find them speaking in English rather than in Sisosa. You would find them working for money rather than for cattle; also banking accounts, even, and houses in towns instead of owning oxen for racing and large herds of cattle. You would find them racing bicycles instead of oxen. They have now married one wife instead of many wives; they do wander about with single women and there are no such things as concubines. The young men & girls are away in Training Institutions instead of Intonjane & Abakweta dances. You would find these Scholars playing Cricket & Tennis instead of attending dances, affrays etc. The girls attend sewing classes instead of moulding pots, dancing & fetching fire-wood.

all these different training of the young people serve to cover ^{up} all those different sports & plays of the young in the olden days.

You would ^{find} all the scholars speaking in the English language while in school & in sports.

On the occasions the young are dressed in their best European clothes, because there are no more of those olden times garments, bangles etc. and even those that can be found are not recognized as anything. Everywhere where there is British Administration the official language is English; they wash with soap instead of wet cow-dung & spit; plates & dishes are washed with water ~~and~~ ^{wiped} with a cloth instead of heating it on a fire to dry up or giving it to a dog to lick it up. People take their meals on tables there are no more eating mats. People sleep with blankets there are no more hide-blankets & game-blankets. People sleep on beds. They eat meat with forks & throw away short assegais, of sharpened wood & iron sticks. People drink coffee with cups and no more vessels & cut calabashes. In a word, everything is whitemen's, you can compare it yourself. This reformation of Tosa is leading up to something, you can examine things yourself till you can realise this fact. Yes, it is all right & nice to resemble a whiteman to such an extent. It is a beautiful thing, in appearance, to one spectating, and yet in the eyes of a real Tosa - I mean a Tosa without deceit or mixture, he still asks himself the question, whether under such circumstances he is still a Tosa or not. He does not find himself happy for any thing; he finds himself in a most unhappy state of affairs.

He asks himself also the question as to whether the country of his fathers & the nature of life ^{are} ~~is~~ still the same or not?

The Nature of the life of the present Texas gives him the following reply: -

"Yes, you are a Mixed Tosa of today". This imagination is a very sore one, when a person thinks deeply & widely what we are after & what we are driving at. Because it is not quite clear which way we are going. We were in a poverty state as soon as we lost Tosa's land. Today we are homeless & have no where to go yet Tosa was fit ~~on~~ to live in his way of life but to be mixed together with Christ. Tosa may be made similar to a whiteman through education & civilization but he shall never be created a whiteman for ever & ever. God created what he has created.

By saying this we wish to throw light to certain points which have caused the downfall of Tosa. We fully trust that these three facts will do some good at last (1) That the Word of God, and (2) the Higher Education ~~board~~ which would encourage hand-work & trades, will in future be a foundation & site of our New Kingdom which is quite fit for the present Texas. The old Tosa has died out & vanished as well as his Kingdom which was derived from cattle naturally.

A Strange thing about Tosa.

It seems that the Tosa Nation beats all the other black nations in the whole of Africa, and other heathen countries. Nations in this condition or state, ~~was~~ have died & perished totally,

When they have been invaded by the Word of God and the light of Civilization; but Tosa is an exception. The Tosas have since increased that the Authorities have thought of sending the surplus to migrate in Rhodesia. The English guns, & communism & inter-marriages with them were not the proper things to exterminate Tosa. We would not speak this matter like this, if it were not for our speakers (now-a-days) of European descent, ^{who} had said it themselves; confessing same in public.

An important question is this: -

When the present Tosa so much increases, where is he going to reside? Where is he going to breed his movable stock? because he has neither a chief nor land. The answer to these questions would take another little book like this one, provided that the one answering ~~it~~ had some idea about such stories as "Ukwanda nokutshona kwe-nthanga (The increasing & perishing of Nations).

Therefore let us refrain from answering the above question, lest we shall go into details of this nice story we are dealing with.

It is quite clear to any person that even the Creator has placed something in waiting (as he did to Abraham) to be pushed through by the Nation of Tosa which has always had some remnants through their different strifes of life according to stories. It seems that they have a little ^{promised} country of some sort. Make a picture of things yourself - as we have done.!

This is our great hope and ^{we} feel proud about it. It may be that we are cutting a fat piece of meat for ourselves. This Tosa Nation had a notorious prophet of their own. He came from the Word of God. He came just at the perishing of his ²⁰⁵⁴⁵⁹ Kingdom.

He spoke miraculous warnings to his people!!
Doesn't that mean anything? This is the end
of the Fifth Chapter.

The Sixth Chapter.

This is not a long chapter: it embraces the finishing word. Let us disappear with this word to you, my, fellow countrymen — You must know this fact today that Texas way of living is quite another and this present Texas is new. The customs & hereditary customs amongst the Texas were not what we see today. I mean at the time the Texas inhabited Palo's country. The hereditary customs of our ancestors are gone. The sports, social gatherings, entertainments, and amusements are all like a deserted kraal. All things that tended to make Texas are done for, and have been put an end to by "The ^{Creator} ~~maker~~ of Heaven, & created above". This would be a sorrowful thing if it was not allowed by God. ~~But~~ We have missed some exceedingly good customs and laws with regard to teaching respect, humanity, and good sense to children families. In their places nothing tangible & visible has been left. The manner of life is an old thing & belongs to our ancestors & hereditary customs. Nobody can explain the different points of the manner of life because there are so many big & small things affecting life. In this our attempt we did not like to go deeply into details although we have broad stomachs in regard to our fathers History. We preferred to give the reader some rough idea lest he should lose interest in this Book. After all the deaths and loss we sustained we Texas & Ntombela

by Rosa and the Manner of the life of Rosas.

We feel ourselves delighted at the hope that the Kingdom of Rosa has been removed, and in its old site there stands a Greater and a Free Kingdom of the late Queen Victoria, and His Majesty King Edward VII and King George V.

This administration is under the powers of the Almighty and All merciful of the Heaven.

No, Sir, our Country Chiefs this one fact wipes our tears off. It heals & bandages that fearful sore wound in our hearts. We feel bold to say "you have got it" In doing this, we greatly apologise to you Matchawe (Chiefs) and the Black gentlemen - Things are all the same - !!

We cry for our Nation as a whole, we sincerely hope, that you will be able to see what a beautiful life you had in the past as well as your origin. You will not ^{lose} loose sight of your present conditions & what you are today; so that your generations & ours may be able to trace if they like the conditions & manner of their grandfathers. We are making an inheritance therefore to those young people of today. We are trying to make a baby stand up. Receive him because we have made him for you. Our belief is that even the firm Nations we see today, they had also to begin from the beginning and their walls grew higher & higher, and their intelligence also grew up also their trade grew prosperous. A small plot after another; and a brick on top of another. The History books also grew like wise.

You can see the present Rosa how he starts afresh now-a-days, and compare a little with what he was in creation long ago, You will then see the beauty & cream of this proverb.

We trust that you will persevere in these few lines & few chapters and take a few ~~so~~ books. We are only making an attempt to open up the way for those who know better the History of the Conditions of the life of Tosa.

God did this, at the time he ended Jewish and put in its place Christians and finished with the prophets. He has done the same with the life of Tosa up to the time of Gabai's son, He prophesied all these things which have been fulfilled today.

"Old things have passed away, and all of them have been made new".

St. Paul says so.



The end.