

History of the Bafalako
Pilsensberg

Hun

Population

men	494
women	539
Children	913

Total under Moello Mahi 1946

men 77

women 65

Children 154 Total under Sebulo Flogouma 296

2242

This tribe was originally one with the Baps of Darius Magala, whose history will be put in by the Sub Native Commissioner Rustenburg; & although there is a small offshoot under Diedrick Magala ^{in this district} I shall not touch upon the history of the Baps, but leave the matter in the able hands of my colleague.

The two sons of the Baps Chief were Leemane and Leeme, these two quarrelled for some cause unknown, having previously split, as one party, with the parent tribe of Baps. Defeat having resulted they fled west, & it is supposed, the quarrel referred to took place on the retreat, somewhere near Galmitfontein 567 map 19. A small section followed brother, but the majority went with Leemane, who was succeeded in a direct line by successive descendants:

Rasihuto and

Mahi

Matsiri

Malake

and ^{Mahi} Moello Mahi the present Chief who is now an old man. They settled in the country from

Janskop, Lydenfontein 302 map Rietfontein 427 map 011
while the small following who know very little of
their own history, placed themselves under the
Bakgalla, living first at Kafferokraal map 19
and subsequently at Ruijhoek 426 map 19 or
Kalligayana, where they are still located; but being
of very small consequence do not concern us.
The Bakato history seems to have been practically
unimportant, except for the usual tribal troubles,
untill the Bakgalla came, in the time of
Matsiki. From that period ~~a~~ wars of
small skirmishes appear to have been carried
on, during the Chieftainship of Matsiki,
& subsequently of Molotse.

In the time of Mabi the Matibele came,
~~where~~ ^{when} the Bakato sent ^{tribute} ~~tribal~~, & became
subsidiary, living apparently on fairly good
terms with their conquerors. Eventually
the Boers drove the Matibele across the Morija
to Moselakajetop, & most of the Bakatos
appear to have accompanied them there, &
settled down as inhabitants. The Matibele
however being again driven west by the Boers,
the Bakatos returned to their original
country in the Pilsberg; but again fled
to Sechele on the advent of the Boer land hunters.
At Mosopolole Mabi died, and was
succeeded by the present Chief Mosello Mabi,
who brought his people back to the Pilsberg
& purchased the farm: - Mabiokraal 629

Uitfontein 306 map 04
Purfflaagte 272

on which he is now located, There are, under Matsi
a few of the Matibele followers of Kurumane

who accompanied the latter, when he was driven
out by Lo-Bengula. They reside at Inzenfontein 302
Map 19. There are a Wesleyan, and Dutch Reformed
Mission respectively, at e MabiKraal, and
a large proportion of Christian converts.
The Battak originally worshipped the Elephant
"Flou", to which some of them still "bind"

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