Tchiliwandele's personal possessions

Tchiliwandele inherited this hat and club from his uncle Tchipwapwa, who held the position of Soba (chief) before him. There are at least four of his personal items in the collection. The Powell-Cotton sisters recorded Tchiliwandele's name, title and some personal details, however, we still know very little about him.

This photograph gives us some idea. Unlike many photographs of African people taken by Europeans at the time, in this photograph Tchiliwandele is not treated as an object to be studied, but a caring older man caught in a tender moment with a young child.



Tchiliwandele wearing his uncle Tchipwapwa's hat, with a small child.