to gratify the demands of the flesh, that the stomachs of little children are said to be forcibly distended by their parents, who compel them to drink large quantities of water to produce this result. The stomach of an adult is said, as a result of this treatment, to be three times



THE LARGEST OF THESE BASKETS HOLD HALF A TON EACH.

that of a white man's in size. Hence for such abnormal appetites it is highly proper, one might think, that ample provision be made for the storage of food. These natives make a beer very different from that of the European. This they drink in enormous quantities, it may be taken for granted. The beverage is said to be very nourishing, which may in part account for the rather huge paunches that are often to be found proudly carried about by the black chieftains and other prosperous citizens of these tribes for a mong the Africans, as among others, prosperity often brings "flesh."

## HUGEST OF BASKETS

THIS picture shows some of the largest baskets in the world, for they are capable of holding half a ton of corn apiece, or one thousand pounds. These Brobdingnagian receptacles are to be found in many of the villages of central Africa. In reality these containers are monuments to the greed of the negroes of the region. So eager are these people