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cloth he had tied around his waist during
~~our~~ first visit after his rejoining it, on the
5th October '96 was seen on his body. This
chronology of events makes me to ~~infer~~ infer
the following: From day one of his rejoining,
the Jarawa community as a whole must be
insisting Ennen to give up wearing of cloth.
But Ennen might be unwilling to abide by
the community's wish which he manifested by
appearing before us with a piece of cloth around
his waist during our first visit to the area after
his rejoining. Now his total abhorrence of
cloth confirms that he could not withstand the
pressure exerted by his community and finally
had to submit himself to its wish. Does it
not reflect the Jarawa tribe's aversion of their
native culture and aversion for alien culture?

2. It was observed that pregnant and aged
women stay back on the shore while the rest of
the tribe engage themselves in collecting the
gift articles carried by the contact party. These
pregnant and aged women, in addition to their
own infant children, if they have, take care