Buckingham’s rebellion came about because people were worried about Edward’s heirs. The Croyland Chronicle reports that people began to organize to get the princes freed and Edward’s daughters out of England.¹

Mancini gives rumors a few months before Buckingham’s September revolt how Prince Edward had already been killed, although such rumors might have been reported by angry rebels.²

Leopold became rich from exploiting the native people. Natives were forced to harvest fixed amounts of ivory and rubber. If they did not meet the quotas they could be killed and their homes destroyed.³

Among European leaders, only King Leopold saw business-making opportunities in the Congo. Stanley hoped that more would come of Africa than it merely remaining a nature preserve.⁴