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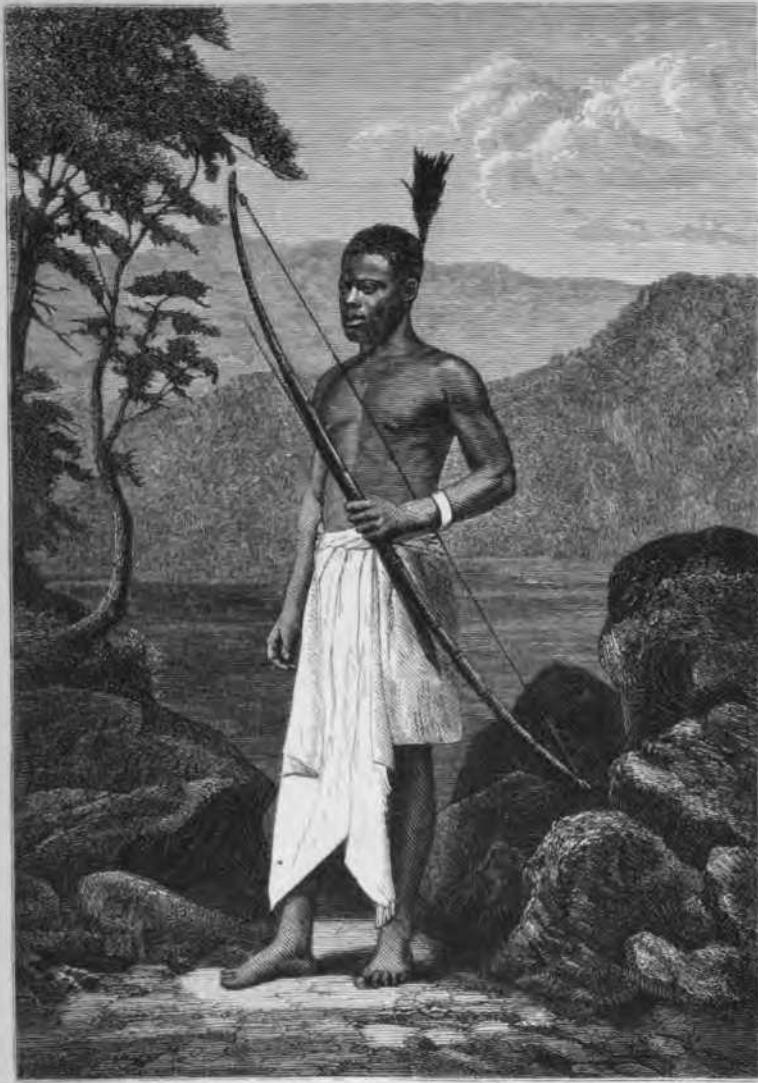
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BASED ON HELLWALD'S 'DIE ERDE UND IHRE VÖLKER'

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'CHUMA,' LIVINGSTONE'S SERVANT: OF THE WAHIAO TRIBE.

(From a Photograph.)

Frontispiece.

Chuma was released from the slave-traders on the Shiré river by Bishop Mackenzie and his party, and was constantly with Dr. Livingstone during his last nine years of travel. He accompanied Livingstone's remains to the coast, and has subsequently served with Bishop Steeplechase in a country.

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PREFACE.

IN reading through Mr. Keane's excellent translation of that section of Von Hellwald's *Die Erde und ihre Völker* which is devoted to Africa, it soon became evident that the author had taken a more national view of our present knowledge of this vast continent than would be acceptable to English readers—German work in the field of African discovery was fully developed, the achievements of British and other foreign explorers more hastily sketched.

It is not that we would undervalue for a moment the labours of Germany in Africa. Our knowledge of the immense region of the Sahara and the Sudan has resulted almost exclusively from the arduous journeyings of Barth and Vögel, of Rohlf's, Schweinfurth, and Nachtigal; but in giving these their due share of honour, it cannot be forgotten that we owe to the enduring toil of Livingstone, of Burton, Speke, and Grant, of Cameron, Gordon, and Stanley, the rolling back of the clouds of obscurity which, until a few years ago, hid from view all but the coast-line of the still greater expanse of Equatorial and Southern Africa.

In endeavouring to give a more just apportionment of credit to the men of all nationalities that have taken part in the great work of throwing Africa open to the light of civilisation, as well in bringing up the description of each separate portion of the continent to a more uniform