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ἐποίησέ τε ἐξ ἑνὸς αἵματος
πάν ἔθνος ἀνθρώπων
κατοικεῖν ἐπὶ πᾶν τὸ πρῶσιπον τῆς γῆς.

ST. PAUL, Acts xvii. 26.



W. M. Watts, Crown Court, Temple Bar.

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P R E F A C E.

THE following Outlines and Vocabulary are the result of a five months' residence (from November 1850 to March 1851) in the Vei country, both at Wákoro (Cape Mount) and Dsháíáro. (the Gallinas). But with the best will, one cannot do in Western Africa what he might do elsewhere. The intense and persevering exertion required for the cultivation of an unwritten language, cannot but bring on fever in this land of fevers. My work was twice interrupted by fever during the five months, and I here gratefully acknowledge the goodness of God that it has been *only* twice. Besides this, a civil war was raging in the country, which, during the first half of my residence, proved a hindrance to my object. For a fortnight I was left alone with my servant in a hut, all the natives of the place having fled, from fear of a daily-expected attack of the enemy. In addition to this comes the great unfitness of unlettered natives for literary pursuits, and the difficulty to keep them employed in such a work for any length of time. As one of them said to me, "A black man is not able to sit down a whole day in one place, and to do nothing but book-palaver." This statement will, I feel assured, bespeak the indulgence of the Reader to the degree of imperfection in which the Vei Grammar appears. Yet the study of a language in the very country where it is spoken, has always its decided advantages; and the above statement can therefore be considered, at the same time, as an invitation to expect from the following pages at least *a little* more light on the still dark field of African languages.

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