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Text of Account:

Original German –

“Eine Negerin, die nicht weit von den letzten gewohnt hat, nannte ihre Gegend Sanjam. Als Geld brauchen sie in ihrem Lande, wie sie sagten, Ringe von Eisen, die sie machen. Damit bezahlen sie einander. Gold haben nur die Vornehmen, brauchen es aber nicht als Geld, wie die Amina-Neger tun.”

English translation (by Aaron Spencer Fogleman, 2022)

“A Negress who lived not far from the previous called the place from where she came Sanjam. As she explained, they make iron rings in her country that they use for money. With these they

pay each other. Only the privileged have gold, but they do not use it for money like the Amina Negroes do.”

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