

Chamisso, for the night. He gave me the date and the name of the tree, opposite to the care of this old sail away from me. I was distressed and intended to declare my change was, being very good, seeking. This seemed irreconcilable, a great emotion, approved, and prolonged after our yams, taro, and *totabus*. I said in my mouth when I said to every one that I had no sleep, and, as I heard collected with silent astonishment, the Lagediacks would take a considerable and Lagediack well of all on taking, at the remain under swelling, where I contemplated them to deprive him visible, I wished to dispatch two orders to as the population was to stay on with them on and Mr. Chamisso. Kadu dressed to make a strong

impression upon the natives on this solemn occasion. After some time he proceeded, with regular strides, out of the house; he had put on a white shirt, over which was buckled a sword and belt; he wore a straw hat, and carried his drawn sword in his hand. The natives were amazed when he entered the circle, with a serious countenance and the murderous weapon, and gravely sat down on the trunk of a tree. It was now dusk, and Kadu delivered the following speech, which we had taught him. I must, however, observe, that Kadu, from what he had heard of us, had formed a very great idea of the "*Tamon Russia*," of whom he had spoken very highly to the natives. "The great tamon of all tamons," said he, "of the country of Russia, has commanded Kadu to stay here and take care of the plants and animals which the Russians have left. In this occupation no one is to molest him, under pain of death; but the inhabitants are to assist him in cultivating the ground, for which they are to be recompensed, although the promised reward would spring from the labour itself." (For the purpose of giving more importance to the speech, I supplied the following falsehoods.) "In ten months hence a large Russian ship will come here to bring the natives iron and other necessary articles; but, if it is found that the plantations have been destroyed, the depredators will be put to death. No one shall attempt to rob Kadu or do him any injury, a crime, which is also to be punished with death." In conclusion, a reward was promised to those who should bring any of the newly-cultivated vegetables to the ship expected from Russia. Kadu delivered his speech with great dignity; the islanders promised punctually to fulfil our commands, and I had, in order to make them perceive the full extent of my power, left orders on-board to fire, upon a signal, two guns, and throw up a rocket. It was now quite dark, I bade the islanders look at the ship, in order to see the fire with which we might destroy them, in case of disobedience; the signal was given, the guns roared, and the poor savages were panic-struck; the rocket, however, which was hissing through the air, and illuminated all the island, inspired them with still greater fear: Lagediack embraced me with both hands, and begged me to put a stop to this frightful scene; Kadu was much pleased with the impression that had been made, and now thought himself secure against any depredation. Some presents which I made to the natives restored their confidence; we gave Kadu two copper medals, with the emperor's portrait, one of which he was to wear himself, and to give the other, in my name, to Lamary. He resolved to bury some of his property, and to go with the remainder to his old friend in Ormed. When we parted, Kadu wept like a child, and earnestly entreated us to