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OR,

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THE AMAZULU,

IN THEIR OWN WORDS,

WITH

A TRANSLATION INTO ENGLISH,

AND NOTES.

BY

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All the copies remaining unsold were presented to the FOLK-LORE SOCIETY (for distribution to the members) by the Author, the Right Reverend the Bishop of St. John's, Kaffraria (Dr. Callaway). The Council ordered an index to be prepared, which will no doubt prove of considerable use to students, and make the Society's volume of greater value than those already in circulation. The volume is issued as one of the publications for the year 1884.

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