

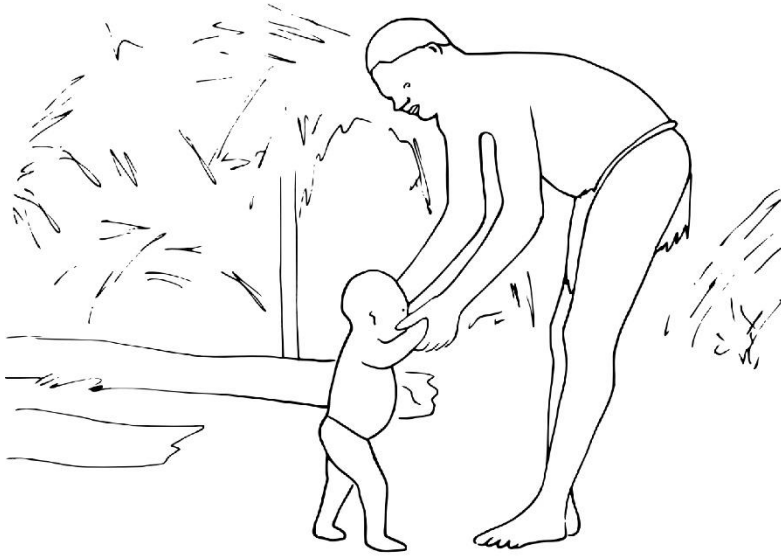


Fig.025 Illustration showing a native man holding the hands of a toddler as he practices walking. Prior to the invasion of their land by black and white people, natives have been thriving both among themselves as well as with a forest that the invaders have been destroying to make space to their unsustainable civilizations.

Success Among the Natives of Higher Africa

Natives are "very vital" and "hardy" and have evolved into what they are through their "battle with the wilderness". They lead a "complete, fully-rounded life". They are not only able to support themselves by their "own resourcefulness" but they enjoy doing so. They live contentedly in their "harsh environment" but would not be able to endure life "into the heart of one of our great industrial cities". Those little wanderers "are the happiest people on the earth". They have "sufficient food for the day" and "do not worry about the morrow" living isolated "in the small cosmos of their clan" and "the still smaller cosmos of their family group" (Schebesta 1933). Moreover, it is important to notice that natives were around "before the founding of dynastic Egypt" and they have already "outlasted" it by "a couple of thousand years". While the "Babylonians, Persians, Cambodians, Romans and Mayans" have "farmed themselves out of existence" by "overcultivating, overgrazing and exhausting the land in order to support the populations of their packed and pestilence-ridden cities" these gypsies of the forest were still thriving. But our modern industrial society "threatens to be so unsuccessful that none of us may survive it", not even them (Hallet 1973).