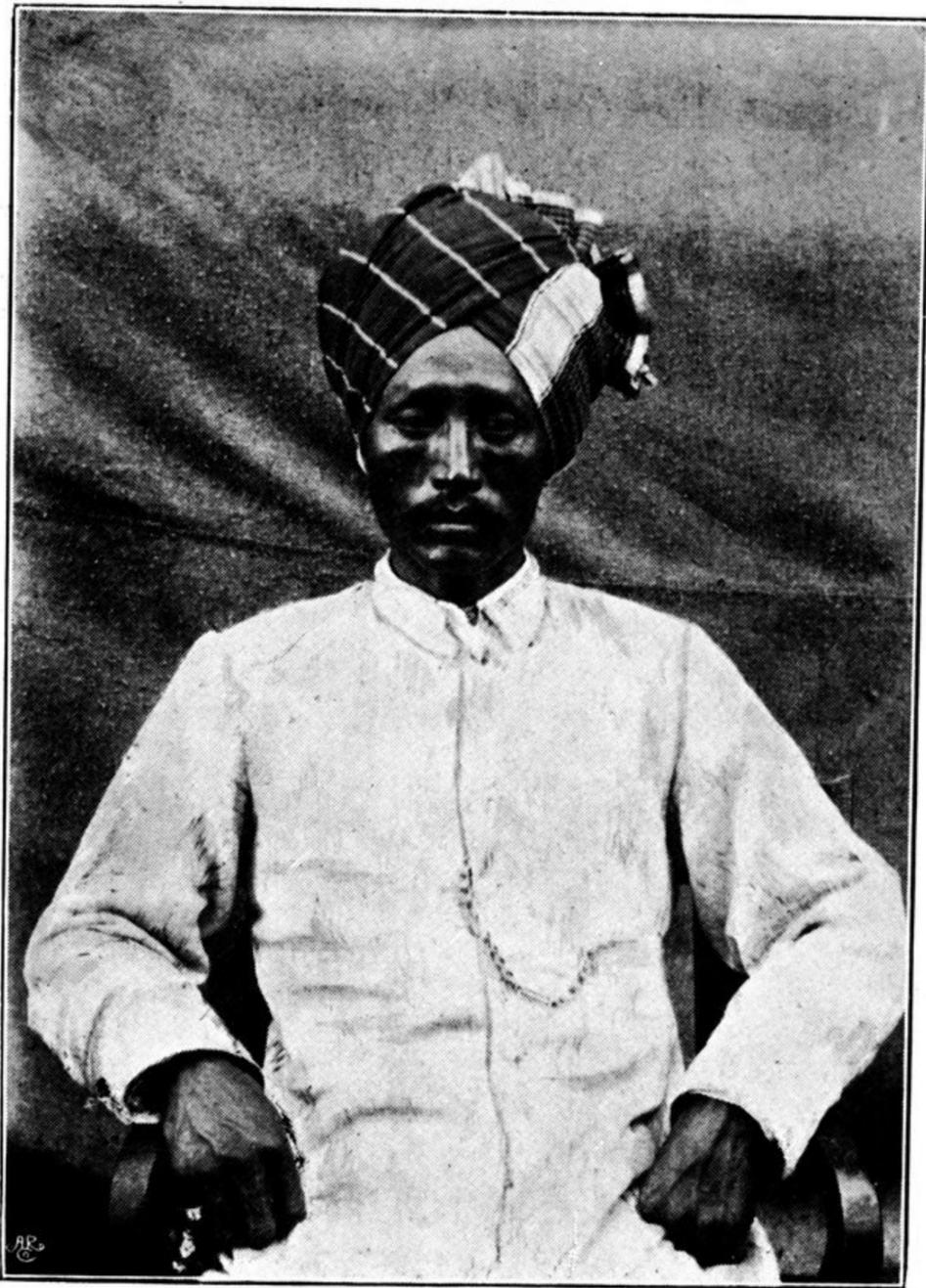


Jones, said that he had in his regiment an excellent fellow who might volunteer. When I asked the youth whether he would join me, he replied at once, "I will go with you to Kabul, Lhasa, or Peking," rendering further parley unnecessary. The man was named Naik Abdul Karim;



MY ORDERLY, ABDUL KARIM.

he was a Chinaman, a native of Yunnan, whence he had wandered through Lhasa and Nepal to India. The permission of the Military Department was obtained, and the orderly joined me at Srinagar a few days before I started. Other members of the party were Dass, the cook; Utam Singh, the collector; Abdul Khalik, the