Beni Hináh

Is a large and rather widely distributed tribe, inhabiting in 'Omán the towns of Nezwa, Ghumr and Belád-Seyt; and in the Wády Semsíl, the towns of Fanja, Bidlid, Khowdith and Seroor. The eponymous of the tribe, Hináh, is said to have been a descendant of Suleymeh-bin-Malik-bin-Fahm El 'Azdi. They bear a good name in the country for bravery, but are not a very warlike tribe. From the prominence of their former leader, Khalíf-el-Kuseyr, in the civil wars at the commencement of the 18th century, the Beni Hináh have since given their name to the Yemenite faction. A descendant of Khalíf is now the Temeemeh of the tribe. His name is Hikal-bin-Zaheir, and he is noted as one of the most resolute and daring Shaikhs in 'Omán. He distinguished himself in the time of Seyyid Thoweynee, and though he has not come very prominently forward of late years, he has still great influence. The sub-divisions are not known to me.