

been ascertained who the real actors in this inhuman destruction of life were, and we have thrown the blame in that way.

The frontispiece of this book is the rescue of Captain John Smith, by Pocahontas, the "Saviour of Virginia," after he was condemned to death by her father, Powhatan. The engravings are placed in their regular order through the work, so that the reader will be enabled the more readily to understand their illustrations. No pains have been spared to give a correct delineation of those parts of the Events which we thought deserved a plate.

The Narratives and Captivities also occupy a considerable portion of the volume, and are made up of the most important adventures and captivities that have taken place within the last two centuries. It will be seen that some of them have been condensed for the purpose of observing a uniform description in the book. Nothing however has been omitted, which materially affects either the sense or correctness of the original.

The miscellaneous scraps we have given at the conclusion of the book we came in possession of while the printing of the work was going on, and we present them as well worthy of note by the reader.

On a close examination it will be found that the many subjects which are embraced in the volume have been collected at the cost of considerable labor, and it is the sincere desire of the publishers that it will receive that reward which it merits. Should it answer the means for which it is designed, of carrying to the door of every man a correct compilation of the most important Events in Indian History, then will we rest satisfied, whether our undertaking is rewarded or not. But before any pass judgment upon it, we would ask them to examine it.

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Lancaster, August 21, 1841.

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