

operation the patient bore with incredible resolution; but he survived it a very short time only."

*Of the Knisteneaux Indians.*

These people are spread over a vast extent of country. Their language is the same as that of those who inhabit the coast of British America on the Atlantic, with the exception of the Esquimaux, and continues along the coast of Labrador: and the gulph and banks of St. Laurence to Montreal.

They are of moderate stature well proportioned, and of great activity. Both sexes manifest a disposition to pluck the hair from every part of the body. Their eyes are black, and penetrating; their countenance open and agreeable; and it is a principal object of their vanity to give every possible decoration to their persons. A material article in their toilettes is vermilion, which is contrasted with their native blue, white, and brown earths, to which charcoal is frequently added.

Their dress is simple and commodious. Their head-dresses are composed of the feathers of the swan, the eagle, and other birds. The teeth, horns, and claws of different animals are also the occasional ornaments of the head and neck. The making of every article of dress belongs to the occupation of the females, who, though by no means inattentive to the decoration of their own persons, appear to have a still greater degree of pride in attending to the appearance of the men, whose faces are painted with more care than those of the women.

When a young man marries, he immediately goes to live with the father and mother of the wife, who treat him as a perfect stranger, till after the birth of his first child: he then attaches himself more to them than his own parents, and his wife no longer gives him any other denomination than that of the father of her child.