

those who are scattered over the great southern division of the new continent. Should we exclude the Esquimaux people from the account, and a few other individuals who are found in the central parts of the continent, so great is the similitude that exists amongst the numerous tribes, that, though differing remarkably from each other in language, we are induced to conclude, that they are all sprung from the same common stock. The individuals of each nation vary but little in stature and the symmetry of their bodies. Their limbs are muscular and well made. In a state of progression, however, their toes are inclined inwards, and their knees bent a little outwards. Their skin, which is extremely thick, is of a brown or copper colour, and has a shining appearance, from the vegetable juices and greasy pigments with which they stain and besmear their bodies. Their faces are for the most part round; sometimes, however, they are found approaching to an oval shape. Their frontal bones have little or no projection,