

the hopelessness of the contest with their resolute valour and perseverance.

Without observing an exact historical order in these sketches, or forbidding myself to stray further afield sometimes for anecdotes and illustrations, I have tried to portray the white and the red heroes of that fierce contest, and their dealings with each other from the first appearance of the settlers in the valley of the Ohio, to the last struggle which secured their supremacy by the downfall of Tecumseh.

The story is one naturally not so familiar to English as to American readers ; but it has afforded so many scenes for a class of fiction popular on both sides of the Atlantic, that the facts of it may well prove no less interesting to all who need not be ashamed to think that they are of the same race as the conquerors of the backwoods.

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