
T H E
P R E F A C E.

A Copy of the following Treaty, printed at Philadelphia in 1743, having fallen into my Hands, upon perusal, I judg'd its Contents deserved to be more generally known, than probably would have been from the few Copies which might be sent over.

*To make it more instructive and entertaining, I had once Thoughts of prefixing an Account of the Customs and Manners of these People, such an one as I could collect either from the Printed Relations concerning them, or from such Materials as my Correspondence or Acquaintance would have afforded: But, the accurate Description drawn up and published by the memorable WILLIAM PENN, deterr'd me from attempting a short One; and an ingenious Gentleman of New-York will probably soon oblige the World with a large and curious History of the * Five Nations, exceeding any thing in my Power to perform.*

But,

* The History of the *Five Nations*, from the earliest Acquaintance of the *Europeans* with them, to the *Treaty of Reswick*, by C. GOLDEN, a *Manuscript* ready for the Press, in the Hands of a worthy Gentleman in *London*.