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PREFACE.



F the following Essay doth in any measure answer its. Title and Design, the Reader must know, that the Undertaking was, through

God's Direction and Blessing, owing to a short, but very entertaining Conversation which the Author, and some other Gentlemen, had with the Honourable and Worthy General Oglethorp, concerning the Condition, Temper, and Genius of the Indians, in the Neighbourhood of Georgia, and those Parts of America; who, as he assur'd us, are a tractable People, and more capable of being civilized, and of receiving Instruction, and the Truths of Religion, than we are generally made to believe;