

PREFACE TO THE REVISED EDITION.

THE appearance of three important narratives of exploration since the first appearance of this work, in 1856, have rendered a revision necessary in order that it may continue to be a full and exact chronicle of the progress of discovery since the beginning of this century. I have, therefore, carefully prepared, from the original works, an account of Barth's journey to Timbuctoo, of Dr. Livingston's Explorations in Southern and Central Africa, and of Atkinson's Travels in Siberia and Chinese Tartary, omitting no important particular, but endeavoring to give the spirit as well as the substance of each narrative in a condensed form. To the general reader, who wishes to obtain the *results of travel*, without devoting too much time to the personal experiences or emotions of the travelers, the abstract I have given will be found as complete as could be desired.

The work, thus enlarged, and completed up to the present time, is again presented to the public.

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