PREFACE.

THE collection embraced in this Catalogue comprises accurate portraits painted from life of forty-three different tribes of Indians, obtained at the cost, hazard, and inconvenience of a ten years' tour through the South-western Prairies, New Mexico, California, and Oregon. Of course, but a short description of the characters represented or of the leading incidents in their lives is given. But even these brief sketches, it is hoped, will not fail to interest those who look at their portraits, and excite some desire that the memory, at least, of these tribes may not become extinct.

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