INTRODUCTION.

The matter contained in these legends has been collected directly from the tribe of Ojibbewa Indians, dwelling on the North Shore and at French Bay. The author has taken nothing from any book on the subject, but has obtained his knowledge from personal experience among the Indians, and from Missionaries among them. He desires to acknowledge his indebtedness to Mr. John L. Lister, who laboured for years among the Ojibbewas. The Indian is allowed to tell his own story, and only one or two departures have been made, these will be noticed by the reader, as they are enclosed in brackets. The author has long felt that we know too little of our Canadian Red Men, hence this poem.