

We must always look at them as an isolated people, separated by time and distance from the eastern continent; and though we know them to be men, yet we must consider them as men unmoulded by contact with the rest of the world, for centuries—perhaps for ages.

The present volume will at least show the reader one striking fact—that the annals of the American Indians are by no means destitute of great deeds and heroic characters. Caupolican, Philip, Tecumseh, and Pontiac, were men of lofty genius, and come up to the full measure of any savage Briton, Dane, or Saxon, handed down to us in the proud pages of English history.

