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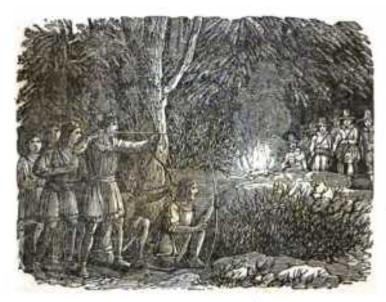
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Mr. Robinson praying with the Puritans.



Indians shooting arrows at the exploring party.

Francis Lister Hawke

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PREFACE.

This is the second volume* of a series of works on American history, proposed to be published, for the benefit of children and youth, and with the design of furnishing a substitute for the works of fiction, now generally put into their hands. The first impulse of a child is to feed his imagination, and satiate his curiosity; and he, of course, lays hold of those books first, which best minister to his gratification in these respects.

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A person of mature age may have learnt to act from other principles; but children are impelled by their feedings and tastes, and we cannot change their nature. The only way to guide them safely through the first giddy paths of their existence, is to consult their nature, and conform to their dispositions; and, while we do this, to be careful to sow the seeds of truth, which may afterwards ripen into a harvest of wisdom. In other words, when we put books into the hands of our children, to satisfy their thirst for novelty, let them be such as may fill their minds with knowledge, not bewilder them with the dreams of romance.

Such are the views with which this series of works is undertaken; and no pains will be spared to execute them so as to answer the purpose for which they are designed. They will be abundantly illustrated with engravings, and the volumes will appear at intervals of about two months. It is intended, that the whole series shall embrace a complete history of the various countries on the American Continent.

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