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WILLIAM II OF NASSAU.

From the portrait by Van Dyck.

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PREFACE

It has been the endeavor of the author to fix the attention of the reader upon the painting itself—to tell something of its qualities as a picture and to impart some little idea of the painter's art. Besides this, there is much collateral interest in the pictures selected—interest directly related to things which every one must sooner or later know. The original paintings have touched the hearts and interested the minds of all classes and conditions of men; and they form one of the great magnets that annually draw a vast army of travelers across seas and continents.

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