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PREFACE.

THE following pages have been written with the object of presenting a rough sketch of a country and people destined to play an important part in the not very distant future, as some of us think.

I can hardly hope to *amuse* English readers with descriptions of countries and races so little known to them, but if I can only induce them to take some interest in a subject which is acquiring greater importance with every fresh move of Russian diplomacy, I shall be content. The authorities I have consulted are Cunningham's 'History of the Sikhs,' Blue Books, official reports and papers; and for much connected with the frontier tribes I have relied on personal observation extending over ten or twelve years. There are two excellent works on the latter subject, Sir R. Temple's 'Notice of the Frontier Tribes,' and Colonel

Paget's 'History of the Punjaub Irregular Force,' but I have not had the opportunity of consulting either, nor are they accessible to the general public. I have avoided Oriental terms as far as possible, but have been obliged, of course, to call the representatives of the tribes by their right names.

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