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P R E F A C E .

THE plan of the following Address, with accompanying materials, was at first projected on a quite limited scale, and its subsequent execution imposed the necessity of close condensation; hence, little more could be done than to give the mere headings of the subjects discussed, forming to some extent, a sort of general key or text-book to Welsh History; and which others better learned, and with more leisure, may hereafter be enabled to trace out in full relief.

Other daily occupation of the writer interfered, more or less, with the reduction of the varied and rich materials at hand into that compactness of form and system which was desirable. Nevertheless, many of the facts and views submitted, we trust, will be found novel and interesting to the general reader; and especially, so far as they go to elucidate the Ethnology of the Cymbrian tribes of Europe. Much confusion and error have prevailed in relation to this subject, attributable, we believe, chiefly to the circumstance, that those in many instances who have written on the races of Europe, failed to make themselves acquainted with the Cymbrian or Welsh language, and its kindred dialects.

The part taken in the American Revolution by Welshmen and their descendants, cannot fail to interest the people of this country, and especially, those of Cambrian origin.

The distinction attained by the Welsh and their descendants in the elevated walks of Theology, Poetry, Government, Arts and Sciences, cannot prove otherwise than interesting to those of the Cymry race in every land.

A. J.

NEW YORK, 1855

THE following Address was delivered in the Welsh Congregational Church, in Eleventh Street, New York, at the request of the St. David's Benevolent Society, on the eve of St. David's day, the 28th February, 1855.—Wm. Miles, Esqr., President of the Society, in the chair. The Meeting was opened by prayer, by the Rev. Mr. Davies.

At the conclusion of the Address, the following Resolution was offered by Wm. B. Jones, Esq., the Corresponding Secretary of the Society, seconded by Robert Evans, Esq., and unanimously adopted:—

“*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Society and of those present be tendered to the Speaker, for his interesting and instructive Address, and that a copy be requested for publication.”

The request was at once made by the President, and acceded to by the Speaker. The Meeting was then dismissed by the Rev. Mr. Griffith, Pastor of the church.

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