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### THE MEMORY OF MY DEAR FATHER,

## Milliam Denton,

WHO LOST HIS LIFE IN THE PURSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE FOR THE BENEFIT OF HIS FELLOW-MEN, THIS LITTLE WORK IS AFFECTIONATELY DEDICATED.



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### PREFACE.

As many friends have urged my brother and myself to publish an account of our travels, I have undertaken the task, with the hope that what I here relate may prove of interest to those who love to rub against Nature. A collector's life is not always a merry one, but is filled with a great variety of experiences.

The illustrations I have tried to make true to what they represent. They are taken from sketches made on the spot, from the actual specimens or good photographs, and are drawn with the pen.

To my good friends who have helped me in this work I wish to express my gratitude, and only hope they may enjoy seeing completed what their labors have done so much to make possible.

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