CHAPTER V.

JOURNEY TO THE AGENCIES. — RETURNED CAPTIVES. — CLINTON SMITH. — JOHN VALENTINE MAXIE. — ADOLPH KOHN. — TEMPLE FRIEND. — DEATH OF TEN BEARS, A COMANCHE CHIEF.

In accordance with an apprehension of duty, as explained in the preceding pages, I stopped at the superintendent's office, while on my way home, for the purpose of consulting him, and the agent of the executive committee, respecting establishing myself in the Kiowa camps. The Kiowas were a wild, depredating tribe, who had hitherto resisted all attempts to bring them into friendly relations with the government, or to a knowledge of civilized life, still continuing to commit depredations upon the white settlements, stealing horses and mules, murdering men and women, and carrying their children into captivity. The superintendent and general agent, by whom the necessary arrangements would have to be made, approved of the concern, but could see no opening by which it could be accomplished at present, and I continued my journey towards home.

The succeeding summer, the Kiowas, with parties



HORSEBACK (TER-RE-O-QUOIT), COMMANCHE CHIEF