

OF GEORGIA.

THIS tract was originally included in the grant of Carolina to the Lords Proprietors, but was re-united to the Crown by a purchase confirmed by act of Parliament in 1728, as before related. In 1732, several public-spirited noblemen and gentlemen, moved with the distresses of the poor, and meditating their relief, by employing such as were willing to labour in forming a new settlement in America, raised a considerable subscription, and obtained a charter from George II. for settling a certain portion of land (then a part of South-Carolina, but unoccupied) in America. It was called Georgia, from the name of his Majesty; and 10,000*l.* was added by Government to the subscription, for the promotion of the undertaking. The grantees were styled Trustees for establishing the colony of Georgia. The first embarkation consisted of 116 persons, of various occupations, under the conduct of General Oglethorpe; and, as more money was subscribed, others went over afterwards. By the year 1752 the colony had increased to upwards of 1000 persons; when,
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