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THE New-York Historical Society have the pleasure, in their present volume, to offer a Continuation of the late Chief Justice SMITH's History of New-York, by the distinguished author himself. For the means of so doing, they are indebted to the politeness of his son, WILLIAM SMITH, Esq. of Canada, a gentleman of talents and respectability.

To those who are acquainted with the merits of the first part of the work, so long before the public, it is unnecessary to say, that in putting to press this Continuation, they think they perform a most valuable service as well to the cause of letters as to their country. In the part now first published, the reader will observe, that the author was a prominent actor in the scenes he describes. A more valuable historical document, touching the affairs of this State, has perhaps never yet appeared; and the Society felicitate themselves that it is in their power to enrich their collections with so precious a legacy to the future historian.

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