## NOTES ON CANADA

1,316,615. Revenue in 1833 was \$33,000,000, exports \$73,800,-000, and imports \$68,500,000. Her dominion extends over 2,600,-000 square miles of territory, which is half a million more than the old Roman. The district of Columbia is a tract ten miles square round the capital of Washington, and under the immediate government of Congress. The battle at Bladensburgh village which put Washington, last war, into the pewer of the British, is called, by the Americans, on account of the cowardly conduct of their militia, who all ran away, Bladensburgh races.

37. There is scarcely a section that has not a town or village by the name of Washington, from which thirty high roads diverge round the circumference of the Union. In the United States standing army of 6188 men. 5882 court's-martial. and 4049 desertions occurred during the last five years; but this is far from surprising, when we consider that in all democratic states, subordination is unpopular. Expense for recruiting circa \$30,000 annually, and replacing a deserter costs the government \$100. When general Moreau resided at Ballston Spa, Saratoga Springs, he was asked if Federal officers did not avail themselves of his military renown by proposing questions to him? "There is not an ensign in the American army, he replied, who does not consider himself a greater tactician than General Morcau." 38. In the vicinity of the military college at West Point, resided Kosciusko, to whose memory the collegians have erected a monument : here also the unfortunate Major Andre was executed, who, it has since been discovered, Washington, by the aid of Major Lee and sergeant Champe, vainly attempted to save. Mount Vernon, built by Washington's brother Lawrence, and so named after Admiral Vernon, under whom he served, comprised a property of 10,000 acres, but, owing to the abolition of the primogeniture law, now dwindled to 1,200. It is 15 miles from Washington city, separated therefrom by the Potomac river, crossed by a wooden bridge more than a mile long, with a toll of one dollar passing and repassing. When La Fayette (who had a township of land and \$200,000 presented to him by Congress) went over, in his last visit to America, the toll-keeper, on plea that he was the guest of the nation, declined the fee: in like manner wherever he went, he was not allowed to be put to any pecuniary charge. Mount Vernon now contains but one tolerable apartment, and setting aside the interest attached to it, nothing worth noticing but one of the keys of the Bastile, presented to the General by La Fayette ; and the fragment of a jug, bearing a strong. likeness of the General, made in England, by a common potter. Washington, descended from an ancient family in the north of England, was born at Washington in Virginia, Feb. 11, 1732, and died at Mount Vernon, Dec. 11, 1800. All America mourned this event by wearing crape for 30 days. His remains were deposited in a subterranean vault in front of the house, overspread with red cedars,

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