

will doubtless be taken proper notice of by those, who want neither the authority, nor the public spirit to do it.

AND having thus taken a short trip, if I may so express it, to the American islands; and seen there, an important acquisition lately made by his Majesty's troops, under the favour of divine providence; let us now cross over to the continent, in the affairs of which we ourselves are most immediately concerned. And being arrived here, we will not now needlessly ramble about, backwards and forwards. But setting out from the southermost scene of action, (I mean, where any thing of great importance has lately been done) which is indeed nearest the parts from whence we last came, and proceeding thence to the northward, tho' the distance is great, thro' a wilderness, and tho' there are several noble prospects in the way to detain and delight us, even in a wilderness; yet it will not be long before we arrive at the capital city of Canada. There our chief business lies: There it will, therefore, be at least proper, if not necessary, to make a longer stay. And tho' it be a cold climate, I flatter myself, we shall find something to warm and enliven us; or at least to keep our blood from chilling.

To begin at the southward then: It was not long after our last general thanksgiving, when we had the little expected, and therefore the more joyful tydings, that the British troops, even without the trouble of a siege, were in possession of the French fortress on the forks of the Ohio, usually called fort du Quesne; but now Pittsburgh, in honor to that great patriot, that wise, honest, and magnanimous British minister, during whose ministry, not only this, but all our other successes, worth mentioning, since the present war commenced, have been obtained. This fortress, it seems,

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