## ADVERTISEMENT

## TO THE READER.

THAT the journal, the substance of which is contained in the following pages, was never originally intended to meet the public eye, is literally and strictly true.—This fact, in justice to myself, I offer without further comment. And the few years that had intervened since the period to which it immediately relates, had very nearly the effect of suppressing it altogether. But, dwelling with pleasure on the recollections of a country becomingnow more interesting every day, and animated by leisure to revise those details written on the spot, which brought the sylvan panorama back to my memory, I found, upon reflection, that there really was much in North America to be described wholly distinct from time or period; perfectly unalterable by change of