

pidly destroying them. The forests abound with animals of every kind capable of yielding food and raiment: and the Indians, who reside here in great numbers, live almost entirely on the profits arising from the chase. The skins of the animals are sold for considerable sums, and the bodies serve them for food. The commerce of Upper Canada has within these few years increased amazingly; and large quantities of flour, potash, timber, and other native productions, have been exported to England. The English laws entirely prevail in this province. Direct taxation is but trifling; and any man with a moderate sum of money, has it in his power to acquire a very handsome competency. The manners, customs, and amusements of the people resemble those of the British nation; and though society is yet in its infancy, it is not wanting in those requisites that make it agreeable to strangers.

The Upper Province is indeed a valuable appendage to the British empire, and, in connexion with Lower Canada, is essentially necessary to the maintenance of