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most important of these are named as authorities in the body of the Work.

A topographical defcription of Upper Canada, drawn up by DAVID W. SMITH, Efq. Surveyor General of that Province, and his excellent Maps of Upper and Lower Canada, have furnished a particular and correct view of this portion of the British dominions. The new and valuable Map of New York, by B. SIMEON DE WITT, Esq. Surveyor General of that State, has also been faithfully consulted. The census of 1800 has been of important use in perfecting this edition.

Most of the articles, especially in the United States, have been improved, and several thousand new ones have been added. To give place to these additions, without swelling the work to too expenfive a fize, many articles have been abridged, abbreviations have been adopted, and a type of a smaller fize, than in the first edition, has been used.

The article LOUISIANA,\* has received all the attention, which its newly acquired importance to the United States, demands.

In the revision of this edition, the Author has received the affiftance of his worthy literary friend, the Rev. ELIJAH PARISH, his partner in the compilation

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\* Some information, omitted by accident under this head, will be found in the Appendix, under the article FREDONIA.

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