

ins's, Imlay's, Lewis's, and Williamson's of the country west of the Alleghany Mountains—Purcell's, and others of the other Southern States—Edwards's and St. Mery's of the West-Indies, and many others of less note.

The various Treaties with foreign nations and with the Indian tribes, the newspapers, and the publications of various descriptions from the several branches of the Federal Government, with which the Author has been obligingly furnished by some of the Heads of Departments—many manuscript communications by letter and otherwise; particularly the valuable M. S. Journal and Map of Capt. JOSEPH INGRAM, a considerable discoverer on the N. W. coast of America,—and the manuscript Journals of several other voyagers and travellers, whose names I am not at liberty to mention—these sources of information have also faithfully been improved to enrich this Work.

After all, it is but proper here to observe, that a very considerable part of the matter of this volume has been selected, and alphabetically arranged, under the proper heads, from *The American Universal Geography*. *

In the compilation of this Work, which, an inspection of it must evince, has cost much application and labour, the Author, unwilling to divert his attention more than was absolutely necessary, from his more important professional duties, has employed Mr. JOHN LENDRUM, Author of a useful compendious History of the American revolution, to select, arrange, and copy the materials for the Work, from the large collection of books, maps, and other printed and manuscript papers, enumerated above, with which the Author furnished him. In this arduous business, Mr. Lendrum has been constantly employed, under the direction, and at the expense of the Author, for more than two years past, and has executed it with satisfactory care, fidelity, and judgment. The whole of the manuscript, however, has undergone the most careful and critical inspection

* From this Work, Mr. Scott, Author of the Gazetteer of the United States, derived no small part of the information contained in his Book, though he has not been candid enough to acknowledge it in his preface.