

With regard to the geographical information contained in this volume, I think it proper to observe, that what relates to Upper and part of Lower Canada, is written from actual observation, but what relates to the other parts of British North America, I have principally collected from other writers, viz. *G. Heriot, Esq. Winterbotham, Carver, Mackenzie, and Payne*, as also from some French authors, and old manuscripts taken by the Catholic Missionaries among the Indians when the country belonged to the French.

Through all these works, and some others, I have waded with considerable labor in order to collect such information that might be correct, beneficial, and amusing to my readers; and although I do not pretend to say that this work is entirely void of errors, yet, upon the whole, I think it may be depended upon, and am of opinion will afford considerable information and amusement to the most of readers. However, such as it is (and I wish it was more worthy of the extensive patronage it has met with