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the country, of the manners and character of the inhabitants, also of those of the domiciliated Indians, and of tribes which occupy or frequent situations on the borders of the great lakes. A brief dissertation respecting the commerce and constitution of the Canadas is likewise subjoined.

An opportunity of visiting the Azores having been presented to the Author during his voyage to America, he has made two of the most celebrated of these isles the subject of the commencement of this tour.

In drawing up the second part, recourse was had to documents found in the library of the Jesuits at Quebec, and to Memoirs. Travels, and other works, which have been published at different periods. As some of these are written in the English language, it was conceived unnecessary to make any material alteration in the stile of the passages which have been borrowed from them. A list of such authorities as have been consulted will be found below.[•] A portion of the information has been derived from living observation, communicated by men on whose

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