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bound volumes; and their examination was as agreeable and pleasant as that of the "Cartons" of the Marine was laborious and annoying. The papers relate, chiefly, to the period between 1765 and the Treaty of Paris, and comprise the correspondence of the Military Commanders in America with the French Government.

In arranging these Transcripts (which were, of course, separately copied), a strictly chronological order has been observed. The papers from the Department of the Marine and the Colonies have been intermingled with those from the Department of War; and whenever inclosures were found they have always been placed next after the letter transmitting them.

PARIS, December, 1843.

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