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## INTRODUCTION.

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**A** LONDON Translation of an original work in French, by the Abbe Raynal, which treats of the Revolution of North America, having been reprinted in Philadelphia, and other parts of the continent ; and as the distance at which the Abbe is placed from the American theatre of war and politics, has occasioned him to mistake several facts, or misconceive the causes or principles by which they were produced ; the following Tract, therefore, is published with a view to rectify them, and prevent even accidental errors intermixing with history, under the sanction of time and silence.

The Editor of the London edition has entitled it, "*The Revolution of America*, by the ABBE RAYNAL;" and the American printers have followed the example. But I have understood, and I believe my information just, that the piece, which is more properly