

PREFACE.

THE first Edition of this little Work was published anonymously in Quebec; but the Quarterly Review, in the notice it took of the Book, having with some freedom though much courtesy drawn aside the veil of privacy, it would be only affectation for the Author again to assume it.

The chief incidents are taken from a Journal kept with fidelity during a long series of years.

The Book has been entirely re-written, with some omissions and alterations, and much new matter.