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A FINISHED picture of King George the Third can only be drawn by one who has lived near him, and enjoyed the honor of knowing him personally ; such a writer will be able to enliven his narrative with a thousand amiable anecdotes to which the present author has no access. Living in the woods at a distance from books and from literary society, his situation is not favourable for the composition of a work of this kind, he is therefore very sensible that he has not done justice to a character which posterity will revere.

But he is induced to present, it, imperfect as it is, to the inhabitants of British America for several important reasons. The situation of this Country in respect to the United States is somewhat critical ; we ought therefore to be prepared for the worst. And this preparation will be more cheerfully made, when we recollect what precious advantages we enjoy, and to what evils our subjection, even for a short time, to that unprincipled government, would expose us. The ruling party in the neighbouring States think it Orthodox to execrate our Constitution and to vilify the character of our venerable sovereign. As slander is more active than truth, thousands have never heard the name of our good king coupled with any thing but tyranny and oppression. Even the bulk of our own population in these colonies, are but very imperfectly acquainted with his true character, nor have they any opportu-