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THE utility of that species of geographical dictionary, usually called a Gazetteer, whether it extends to the science in general, or is confined to some particular branch of it, is sufficiently acknowledged and obvious; since it may be occasionally consulted by the reader, who can immediately turn to the subject on which he wishes information, which might cost him much time to find in a regular system or continued narrative. The present volume consists, in fact, of the American Geography of DOCTOR MORGAN, a work of the greatest accuracy and merit, digested into the form of a Gazetteer, but, as will appear from the Preface of the judicious Author, with many important additions and improvements.

It is presumed that such a work cannot but be highly acceptable to persons of science in this country, and to the public in general, when it is considered that the American States, notwithstanding their distance from Europe, have so increased in population and wealth, as to become of no little importance to its interests; and have latterly appeared, in some degree, to extend their influence to what has been termed its balance. Political opinions and disputes, and, especially, the violent commotions which have convulsed the sister kingdom, have also considerably increased the number of emigrations to that country; and those who engage, whether from choice or necessity, in such undertakings, will naturally wish to obtain the most correct information relative to the part of the world in which they mean to take up their residence. This, it may without hesitation be asserted, they will here find. And still more to accommodate such persons, it has been thought not improper to subjoin a small tract, entitled, Facts and Calculations, written by a gentleman who holds an important station in the American States, and containing useful hints and information to such as intend to remove to America.

The present Edition of this Gazetteer may very justly claim a degree of superiority to that published in America; as in it all the supplementary matter is incorporated in a proper alphabetic arrangement; the plates are complete, which, in some of the earlier copies of the American edition they were not; and they are, likewise, in several respects, very greatly improved.

PREFACE.