## PREFACE,

BY THE EDITOR.

HAVING prepared the following work for the press, I have a few things to say respecting it, and the part in regard to it, which I have performed.

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The authour of these Voyages and Travels, had no thought, while in the N. W. Country, of making publick his Journal. It was commenced and continued, partly for his own amusement, and partly to gratify his friends, who, he thought, would be pleased to be informed, with some particularity, on his return, how his time had been employed, during his absence. When he returned to civilized society, he found that curiosity was awake, in regard to the state of the country which