

dying woods, indigo and dollars, all which prove the great importance of this province and of that trade, which the administration of Grenville was so impolitic, as to endeavour to put a stop to.—The great excess of the West Floridan imports above their exports is what must happen in all new settlements, and was occasioned by the stocks of goods required to carry on the Spanish and Indian trades, and the capitals necessary to improve their lands, which they have begun to cultivate in the west parts of the province.

The imports and exports both of Canada and the adjoining part of Labrador (the only part that is inhabited, except by Indians) are included under those of Canada. They do not, according to our data, take from Britain more than the value of 17s. 6d. for each inhabitant, consequently this Colony has the appearance of being little profitable; but when we consider the principal part of their export consists in an advantageous staple, peltry, it is not, though far north, without its use to this country*.

Nova-Scotia, and the isles of Cape Breton, St. John's, &c. take but at the rate of 13s. 3d. for each individual of their inhabitants; notwithstanding this they would be va-

* Canada, since that time, has increased greatly in the exportation of grain, so that in the year 1773 they were able to export 30,000 quarters of wheat, and in 1774 or 1775, near double that quantity.