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MICHIGAN, WISCONSIN, AND IOWA
HISTORICAL SOCIETIES,
AS A TOKEN OF MEMBERSHIP,

THIS VOLUME IS OFFERED

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P R E F A C E .

THE Narratives collected in this Volume form a Sequel to those Accounts already published of the Explorations under Marquette and La Salle, and refer chiefly to the Moment of the permanent French Occupation of the Lower Mississippi. They are derived from various Sources. The Journal of Mr. John Cavelier, La Salle's Brother, though spoken of by Foutel, remained unpublished till Mr. Francis Parkman allowed me to Print it from a Manuscript in his Possession. The Letters of Mr. de Montigni of the Seminary of Quebec and his Associates, I owe to

the Kindness of the same Friend. Le Sueur's Voyage is taken from Bénard de la Harpe, already in Print. The Voyage of Gravier is from the limited Edition printed from the Manuscript in the Professed House in Paris. The Letter of Father Guignas, detailing as it does the Establishment of Fort Beaubarnais at Lake Pepin, was furnished to me by the Kindness of J. Carson Brevoort, Esq.

While this Volume was printing, Col. Delafield sent me Tomassly's Géologie Pratique de la Louisiane, which I had been unable to procure here in Season, and from it I extracted the Letter of La Salle's given in the Appendix, and which refers directly to the first Article.

New York, 1861.



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