

This work, written in the form of letters, except the second, which is divided into chapters, contains quite undigested and ill-written material on a good portion of Canadian history. What the author relates as an eye-witness may be relied upon ; he seems sincere and unimpassioned, but as to other matters he has not been always well informed.

LA
POTHERIE.

MŒURS DES SAUVAGES AMÉRIQUAINS COMPARÉES AUX MŒURS DES PREMIERS temps. Par le P. Lafitau de la Compagnie de Jesus. Ouvrage enrichi de figures en taille-douce. A Paris, chez Saugrain l'aîné & Charles Estienne Hochereau. MDCCXXIV. 2 vols. 4o.

LAFITAU.
1723.

The next year the same work was very poorly reprinted in four volumes, 12o, at Rouen, by the same publishers. It contains many details on the manners, customs, and religion of the American Indians, especially those of Canada, whom the author knew more intimately, having been a missionary among the Iroquois. We have nothing more exact on this subject. The parallel between ancient nations and the Americans is very ingenious, and shows a great familiarity with antiquity.

ENSAYO CRONOLOGICO PARA LA HISTORIA GENERAL DE LA FLORIDA. Contiene los Descubrimientos, y principales sucesos, acaecidos en este Gran Reino, à los Españoles, Franceses, Suecos, Dinamarqueses, Ingleses, y otras Naciones, entre si, y con los Indios: cuias Costumbres, Genios, Idolatria, Gobierno, Batallas, y Astucias, se refieren: y los Viages de algunos Capitanes, y Pilotos, por el Mar de el Norte, à buscar Paso à Oriente, à vnion de aquella Tierra, con Asia. Desde el año 1512 que descubrió la Florida, Juan Ponce de Leon, hasta el de 1722. Escrito por Don Gabriel de Cardenas Z Cano. Dedicado al Príncipe, nuestro Señor. Con Privilegio: En Madrid en la Oficina Real y à costa de Nicolas Rodriguez Franco, Impresor de Libros. Año CIO.IO.CCXXIIJ. Folio.

BARCIA.
1723.

The author's name on the title-page is fictitious. The work is by D. André Gonzales de Barcia, of the Spanish Academy, Auditor of the Supreme Council of War, and President of the Chamber, one of the most learned men of Spain. As he comprises under the name of Florida all the mainland and adjacent islands of North America, from the river Panuco, which bounds Mexico on the East, he relates year by year all that happened in those vast countries from 1512 to 1712, and consequently speaks of all the provinces of which I give the history.