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(...) "histories have been published of this island; yet none, that I have met with, affords much more than a general outline, very unsatisfactory to those who intend to settle in it. Having spent some years of my life there, I thought I could not devote my leisure to better purpose, than endeavouring to give an idea of its products, and importance to Great-Britain, beyond what may be conceived from a perusal of those publications. In regard to the plan of this work, it may be proper to advertise the reader, that I have avoided entering into detail of the characters and speeches of our governors; or reciting the various VOL. I. B exploits of admirals and generals. The former would afford very little matter either for entertainment or instruction; the latter are copiously related by different historians, in treating of the naval and military affairs of the mother state. (...)"

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