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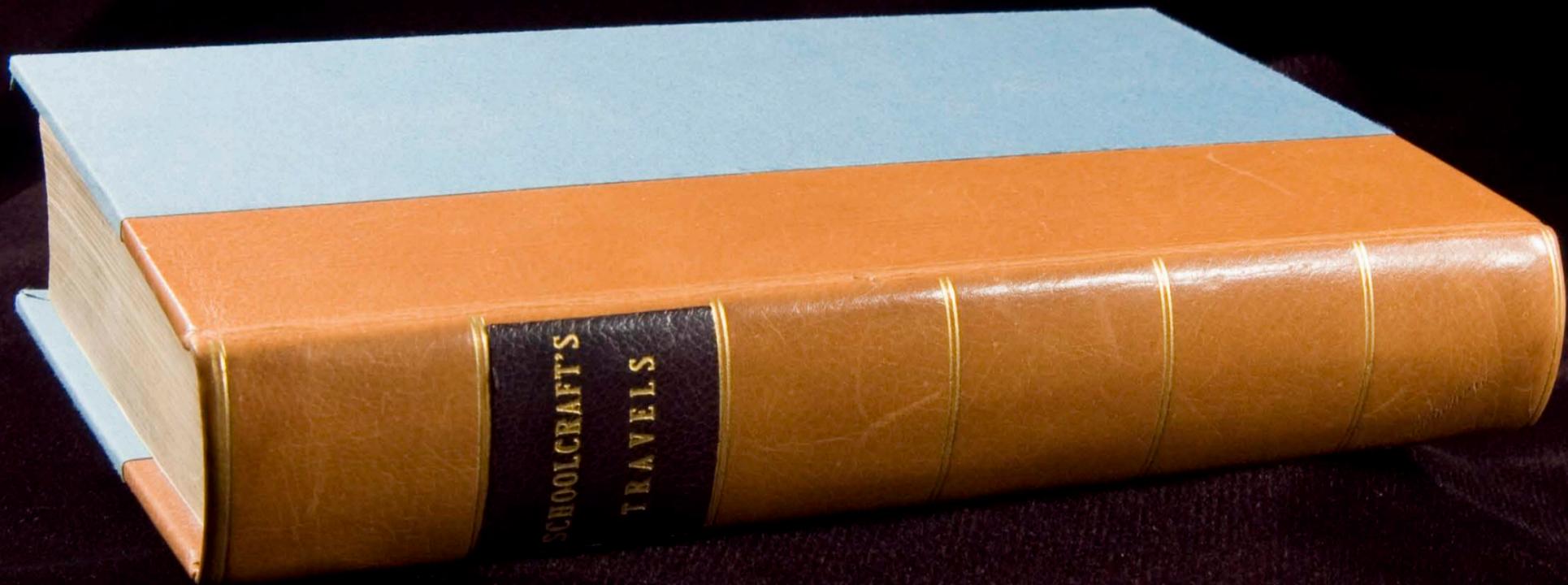
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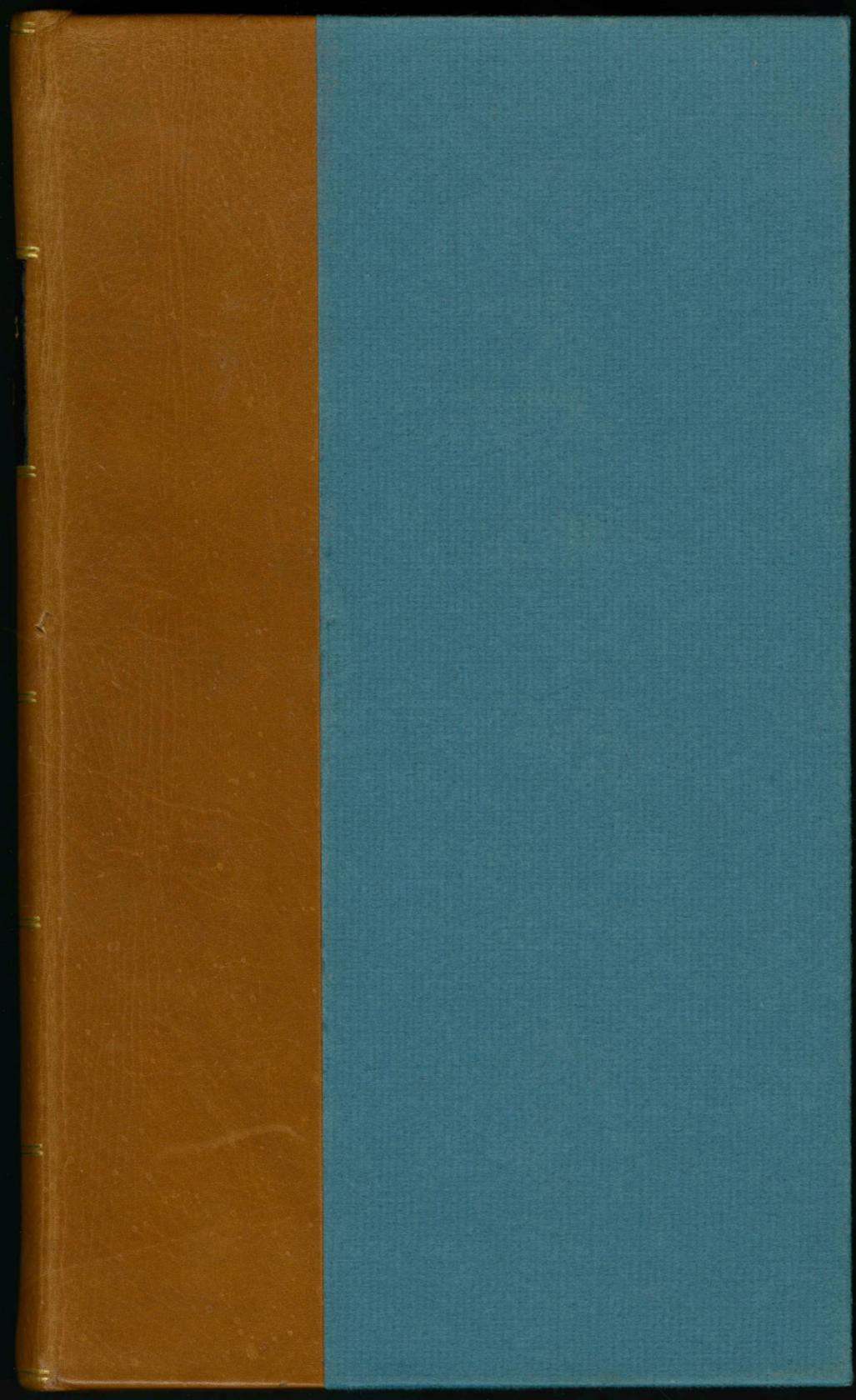
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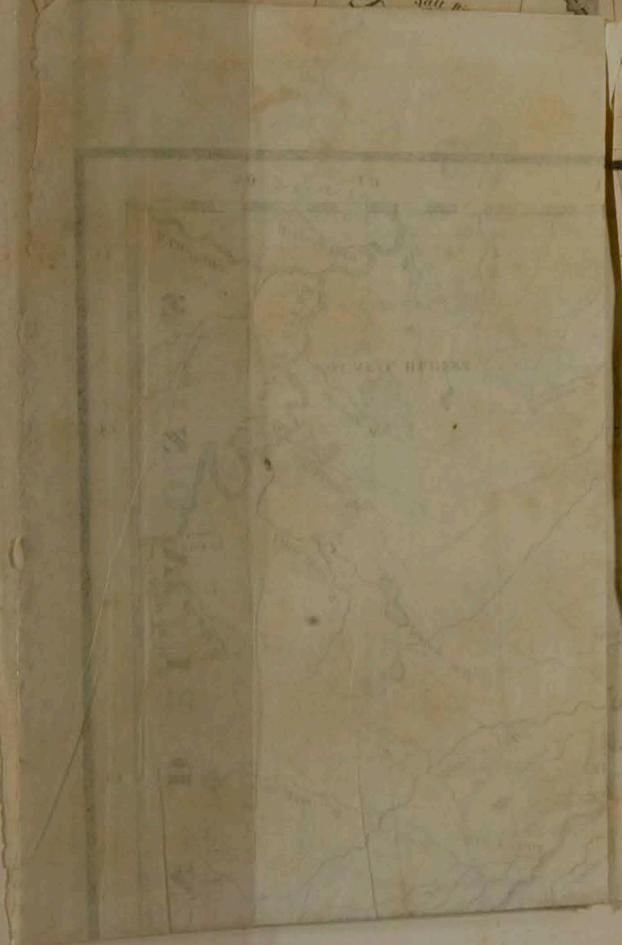
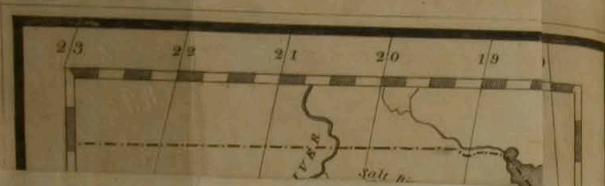
UPPER RED CEDAR, OR CASSINA LAKE

Map
OF THE
NORTHWESTERN TERRITORIES
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UNITED STATES
*Showing the Track pursued by
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in 1820*
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Scale of Miles to an inch



Longitude from Washington City



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RICHARD B. LANSING,
Clerk of the Northern District of New-York.

TO THE

HON. JOHN C. CALHOUN,

SECRETARY AT WAR.

SIR,

Allow me to inscribe to you the following Journal, as an illustration of my several reports, on the mineralogy of the regions visited by the recent expedition, under Gov. Cass.

I beg you will consider it, not only as a proof of my anxiety to be serviceable in the station occupied, but also, as a tribute of individual regard, for those exertions which have been made, during your administration of the War Department, to develop the physical character and resources of all parts of our country,—to the patronage it has extended to the cause of science,—to the protection it has afforded to a very extensive line of frontier settlements, by stretching our cordon of military posts, through the territories of the most remote and hostile tribes of savages,—and particularly, to the notice it has bestowed upon one of the humblest cultivators of natural science.

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INDIAN MANUFACTURES

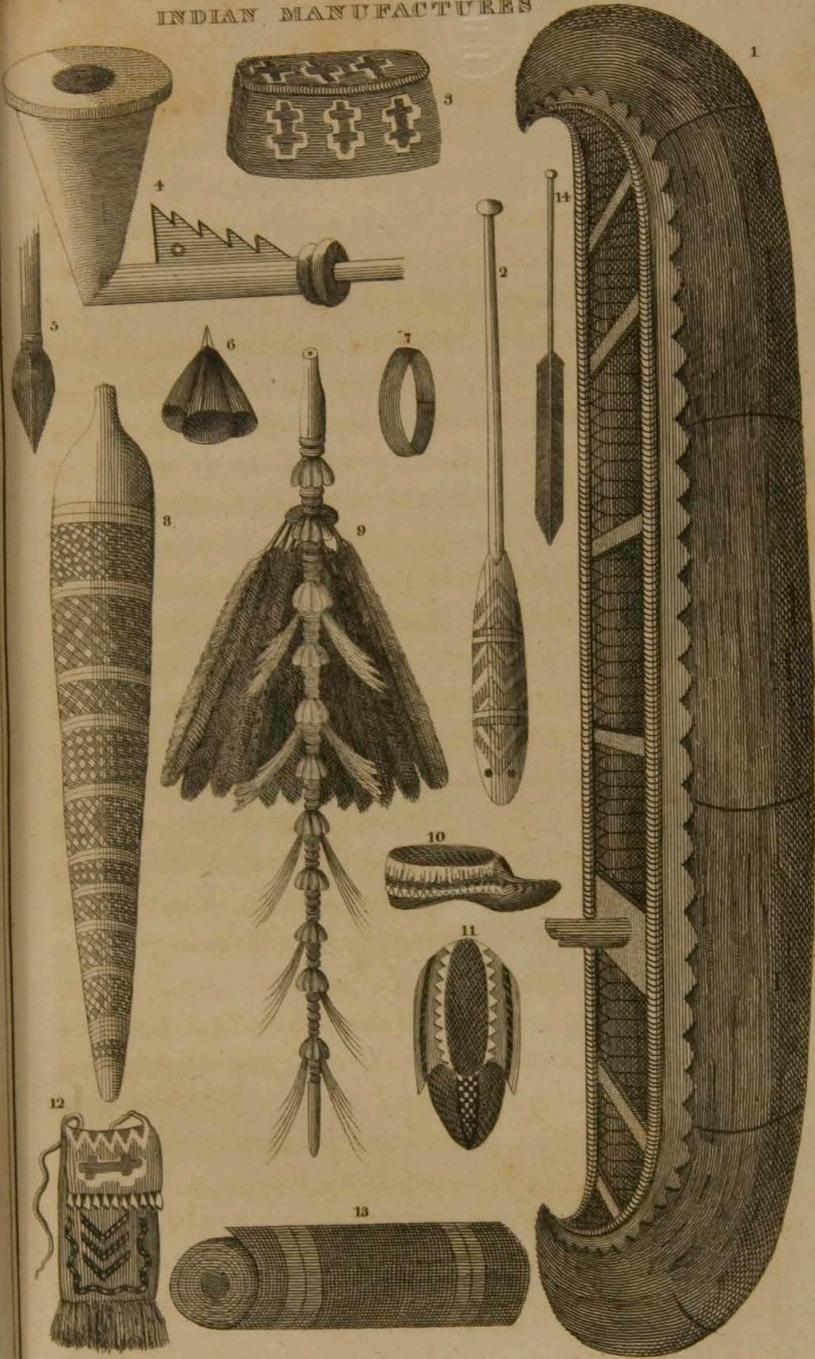




PLATE IX.

THE CLIFF AT THE HEAD OF THE LAKE, IN THE MOUNTAINS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

DESIGNED BY J. H. COLEMAN, AND ENGRAVED BY W. M. HARRISON.



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Geological View of the Rock Formation between Presque Isle and Garlic Rivers, on Lake Superior as disclosed on the shore of the Lake.

nomee, some time after dark, having progressed altogether sixty miles.

LXXXVIII. DAY.—(*August 19th.*)—It is twelve miles from the Grand Konomee to the falls of Kakalin, during which distance, the bed of the river is full of fragments of rock, with shallow water; and may be considered at this season, as one continued rapid. The river is skirted by alluvial ridges, covered with white and black oak, and prairie grass. This deposition rests upon calcareous rock, which appears in horizontal strata at the water's edge, and in the bed of the river. It contains no imbedded remains, but, on breaking it, discloses minute cavities, filled with calcareous spar in a variety of crystalline forms, and often connected with iron pyrites. Disseminated through the rock, are also found, small particles of sulphuret of zinc, or black blende. These appearances are particularly apparent, in the flat rocks at the Kakalin, and for two or three miles above, on the north shore. In descending this part of the river, we cannot avoid remarking, the immense quantity of muscle shells scattered along the shore, and sometimes piled up in the bed of the stream. On enquiring of the Indians the cause of this singular appearance, they observed, that the muscle is the common food of the muskrat, which fishes for these crustacea, in the bed of the stream, and carrying them to the mouth of its habitation, upon the banks of the river, there opens them upon one spot. We reached the Kakalin at noon, and found it the site of a Winnebago village of eleven or twelve lodges, and two hundred souls. There is a portage of one mile, across a level prairie.

PLATE VIII.



FUNGITE.
(*Sclerated Club-fungus*)

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