

Of the Letters themselves we need not speak—we are happy to know that their circulation has been general and extensive,—we hope they will be as generally read; and whether the plan recommended in them be adopted, or give place to any other, the information conveyed in them will not be lost, or without its uses, as fitting those who pay attention to the subject to appreciate the advantages of some comprehensive and general plan to further an object so confessedly necessary to enable our people to develop, and turn to advantage and account, the resources of the country, as well moral and intellectual as physical and material.

THE NEW ERA, OR CANADIAN CHRONICLE.—EDITED BY MAJOR RICHARDSON.

WE hail with pleasure the accession of an ally so able as the author of "Wacousta," to the ranks of our periodical literature, confidently anticipating that his pen will achieve much towards placing on a footing of respectability, if not of eminence, this essential to our character for enlightenment and intelligence.

Through all the numbers yet received of the *New Era* we find continued a sequel to Theodore Hook's novel of "Jack Brag," whose adventures while connected with the British Legion in Spain, have found an able chronicler in a certain Mr. Hardquill, whose identity with the Editor of the *New Era* it is not difficult to discover. The story promises to be a good one—full of laughable incident, and caustic remark; but withal, apparently, dictated by personal dislike to the Chief of the Legion, Sir De Lacy Evans, who, under a name slightly caricatured, appears to very great disadvantage in the story. Apart from this, however, we doubt not the tale will win for itself a popularity befitting its author's fame; and as it is so printed as to be separable from the remaining portion of the *Era*, subscribers will be enabled at its close to preserve and bind it by itself—by which means, in addition to a year's excellent reading, they will each be in possession of a well-written and pleasant novel, which will, at any future time it may be referred to, afford them infinite amusement and gratification.

The remaining portion of the contents of the *New Era* consists of the usual variety—news, remarks, anecdotes, poetry, and such other matters as are generally inserted in the periodicals of the Province. It is unnecessary to say that we hope the publication may receive such encouragement as will remunerate its proprietor for the time and talent brought into requisition to produce so excellent a publication.

THE NEW YORK ALBION.

THE engraved portrait of the Duke of Wellington, some time ago promised by the publisher of this valuable periodical, reached town some weeks ago, and has been distributed to subscribers, among whom it is deservedly a favourite, representing, as it does, one of the most prominent among the great men of his age and country. The likeness is acknowledged to be peculiarly striking in its general appearance, though representing "the Duke" as considerably younger than he now is.

It is in contemplation to follow up this engraving with another—the portrait of Washington. As well in this country as in the United States, the one will be held worthy to accompany the other.

THE MONTHLY REVIEW.

IT is with regret we have to announce the discontinuance of this excellent monthly. It had been removed to Kingston, in consequence of the removal there of the Seat of Government, but it was deemed inexpedient to continue the publication, and it consequently has not appeared.

THE LADIES' COMPANION.

THIS beautiful monthly continues to maintain its superiority over the great majority of the American Magazines. The last number received is wholly original, and comprises a number of interesting tales, principally from female authors of high literary rank in the United States. Lady readers wishing an American periodical will not regret giving this the preference.