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*Mella jubet Hyblæa tibi, vel Hymettia nasci
Et thyma Cecropia Corsica ponis api.* MARTIAL.

Alas my friend, you try in vain
Impossibilities to gain :
No bee from Corsica's rank juice
Hyblean honey can produce. LEWIS.

*Primus omnium instituit, ut tam senatus quam populi diurna ac-
ta conficerentur et publicarentur.* SURTONIUS.

He was the first who caused the daily actions both of the great and the little to be collected and published.

Quebec, Oct. 1822.

MR. SCRIBBLER,

Among the numerous personages who have attracted your attention, it appears to me that the sons of Esculapius have been comparatively neglected;* this is to be lamented, as man is naturally ambitious, and if he finds his efforts to obtain celebrity slighted, by those who make it a duty to admire as well as to censure, there is too much reason to dread that those talents will remain dormant, and that light hid under a bushel, which might have given fame to the possessor, and illumination to the world. The subjects of my present letter, Sir, are not altogether regardless of public approbation, although, under the thin garb of philosophy, they may want to convince us that they are above the insignificant applause of the vulgar. Without further preface,

*I think my correspondent is not justified in this idea, witness Bacon's ass, the petition of Death, Junius, Gratiano, and others.