

es justified, indeed called upon to drink wine, and that o,—a day on which others, who, on other days seek not their evil desires, try less to curb them. Now, it is not fashion—that powerful sovereign that sways her sceptre—deluded subjects with such terrible exactness—has been driven from her throne—she has been driven from her throne—then there is hope for temperance.

A fact that almost every house thrown open to visitors was with a suitable entertainment for temperance people—were the refreshments in the most request. Does this to encourage us? Shall we not take comfort from the sight of it? And shall we not the more earnestly strive to the happy seeds thus so auspiciously sown?

COFFEE.

Notice.

Understand that the Semi-Annual Meeting of the Missisquoi Total Abstinence Association, will be held in the Stone Stanbridge Ridge, on Thursday the 5th day of February one o'clock, p.m.

Notices Respecting Contemporaries, &c.

Literary Garland, after fourteen years existence, is to be renewed. We suppose the cheap magazines of the United have killed it. Yet we ought to possess a good magazine own country, and hope a competitor will start.

Christian Spectator, besides being a record of the progress London Religious Tract Society, contains a great variety of interesting reading. The Nov. number is before us, from we learn that the Tract Society's Committee have determined on the publication of a weekly and monthly Magazine, to be called "The Leisure Hour." A stamped edition will be issued, for circulation in the Colonies. Talented contributors engaged, and we trust the enterprise will be adequately supported. The *Spectator* is published six times a year.

Canadian Almanac for 1852, is a valuable repository of knowledge, containing full and authentic commercial, political, astronomical, departmental, ecclesiastical, educational, and general information. It has a map of part of Canada, and has been got up and arranged with great care, and at small expense.

Scottish Temperance Review, for December, is upon our table. Always welcome, for we never receive a number without instruction, and we generally evince our appreciation of it by quoting its best articles. *Scottish Temperance Literature* stands high in our estimation.

National Temperance Chronicle, for December, is promptly received and received per mail. This number is good. The Rev. Spencer, M.A., Secretary of the National Temperance Society, is now the editor, and does his work very cleverly. A New Year to him, as we happen to be writing on the 1st of January.

Temperance Herald, for December, contains an excellent paper on "Impediments in the way of Education." We transfer it to our columns as soon as convenient.

Westminster Review for October has been received and contains a good deal of regret that so much talent should be wasted and prostituted. There are valuable and almost unexpected papers in this number, but others appear to us equally trivial and unphilosophical.

North British Review, for November, is worthy of a very high rating. The articles are written in a clear and forcible

style, embracing topics of the highest importance socially, politically, and religiously.

The *Edinburgh Review*, for October, we have not yet been able to read, but the subjects discussed are grave and weighty.

The *London Quarterly Review*, for October, is a number of more than ordinary interest.

Blackwood's Magazine, monthly, always contains something interesting, and remains the uncompromising advocate of protection. That side of the question is discussed with great ability.

The *Child's Paper* is the title of a new juvenile periodical to be issued monthly by the American Tract Society. The first number is before us. It is filled with just such reading as is suitable for children, and is tastefully illustrated with neat woodcuts. Ten copies for five shillings.

The *Journal of Education* for Upper Canada is, as usual, extremely valuable. The indefatigable editor labors to make it useful, and we trust it will be continued for the educational advancement of our country.

Le Semeur Canadien is published at Napierville, twice a month, at 3s. and 9d. It is a valuable auxiliary to the cause of religion among the French Canadians. The leading editorial of the number on our table is devoted to the temperance question, and is decided in tone and sound in principle. It is scarcely necessary to say that this periodical is printed in the French language, and we cordially commend it to the notice of religious families who read that language.

The *British Temperance Advocate* concludes its eighteenth volume with the December number. Its motto is, "Total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks." "Strong Drink vs. Health," is the leading article of this issue, which we design to transfer to our columns.

Wesleyan Notices Newspaper, for December, contains interesting extracts from the Rev. Walter Lawry's journal to the Friendly and Feejee Islands, with letters from other missionaries in the Polynesian group. Distressing occurrences have taken place in the Bechuana District. War has broken out here, as well as among the Kaffirs in South Africa. From Badagry, Mr Freeman reports a fight between Aketois' people and the Badagrians. The former conquered, and drove away the Badagry chiefs, setting the town on fire. The Missionary adds, "we are starving, not having anything to buy." At Madras, the Rev. W. H. Dickson died on the 18th September.

The *Annual Report* of the Normal, Model, and Common Schools in Upper Canada, for the year 1850, by the Chief Superintendent of Schools, has been received. The Report, with its numerous schedules and appendix is a work of immense labor, and exemplifies the plodding, persevering skill of the reverend superintendent. Long after he shall have quitted this field of educational toil and enterprise, his reports will remain a monument of his devotion to the work of elevating the masses of his native country, by means of a sound and thorough education.—The successive reports which have been published under Dr Ryerson's auspices will constitute a continuous history of the development and progress of the gigantic school system of Upper Canada.

The *Montreal Witness* commenced its seventh volume on the 5th January. It is truly a family newspaper, not influenced by a mongrel time-serving expediency. What the editor believes, he honestly and plainly expresses. He cannot be aiming to make money, for he promises six literary supplements, gratis, for 1852, notwithstanding that the regular issue contains as much reading matter as any two religious papers in Canada.