

EDITOR'S NOTICES.

HON. ADAM FERGUSON ON DURHAM STOCK—Too late for the present number; it shall appear in our next.

AGRICULTURAL JOURNAL, AND TRANSACTIONS OF THE LOWER CANADA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY. Montreal.

The January number, forming the commencement of the 6th vol. of this useful periodical, is before us, and we offer our hearty congratulations to its persevering Editor, Wm. Evans, Esq., and the Directors of the Lower Canada Agricultural Society, under whose auspices it is published, on the success which has evidently attended their labours. The present number of the Journal bears marks of a healthy progress; and when the Board of Agriculture for Lower Canada shall have been organized, in accordance with the provisions of the new Agricultural Statute, and shall have got fairly into operation, we shall confidently look to the pages of our respected contemporary (presuming it will be made the organ of the Board, as it is now of the Society) for much valuable and interesting information. We never turn over the pages of this Journal without discovering a large amount of plain, sound, practical information, which constitutes by far the most useful characteristic of an Agricultural periodical. From the Editor's long experience in practical farming in the Lower Province, we confidently look to the increasing usefulness of the paper when is entrusted to his hands; and most sincerely do we hope that the only kind of rivalry between the two Boards and Journals of this noble Province may be that which consists in doing, the largest amount of good in its respective section of the country at large.

THE CANADIAN JOURNAL; A REPERTORY OF INDUSTRY, SCIENCE, AND ART. Toronto: Hugh Scobie. 1853.

This valuable serial fully sustains, as it proceeds, the high estimate of merit which we expressed at its commencement. It is conducted with much ability and judgment; and as being the organ, and, therefore, containing the proceedings of THE CANADIAN INSTITUTE, a young and already vigorous Society, it can hardly fail, we should hope, to command the confidence, as it most richly deserves the support, of the thinking and improving portion of the public. The January number is enriched by much valuable original matter, and the extracted articles evince a sound, discriminating judgment. We regret that we cannot make room, as we intended, for the eloquent and instructive annual address of Captain Lefroy, the President of the Institute, contained in the present number. Many of our readers will regret to learn that the country will shortly be deprived of the valuable scientific services of CAPTAIN LEFROY, the able and accomplished Superintendent of Her Majesty's Magnetic Observatory, near this city; but we earnestly

hope that means will be devised of continuing unbroken the interesting and important series of observations which have been for many years so accurately and systematically made in that Institution. Both the Canadian Institute and the University, we are glad to learn, are moving with a view to secure this object through the intervention of the Provincial Government. It would be alike a misfortune and a reproach to suffer the Magnetic Observatory to become extinct, and we should be glad to see the field of investigation enlarged,—embracing astronomy, &c. Our agricultural readers even, are much more deeply interested in several of the inquiries and observations made in such an Institution than would at first sight appear; and we hope the time is not far distant when Canada will take a respectable position among civilized nations in carrying forward the higher branches of science and art. With this view we earnestly entreat all well wishers of their country's enduring welfare and progressive advancement to extend a prompt and liberal support to all such organisations as THE CANADIAN INSTITUTE, and its Journal of Transactions. The price of the Journal, published monthly, is fifteen shillings per annum. Country members' subscription is only one pound per annum, including a copy of the Journal.

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