

tions, in which the unlearned gleaner may bear a useful part. I answer :

1st. Every thing partaking of the character of *statistics*, whether connected with our noble Province at large, or our fine, but little valued and much neglected district, and its component parts, in particular.

2d. Personal memoirs, or local, historical, and chronological sketches, tending to furnish hereafter, a valuable, unbroken chain of materials, towards a correct general history of the colony.

3d. Topographical or other descriptive notes of the natural features of any part of the province or district, but more particularly of the latter. And

4th. Detached memoranda, or more elaborate details regarding the progressive or existing state of agriculture, trade, or manufactures, in different parts of the country, and descriptive accounts of new or improved mechanical or other inventions, but more particularly of those connected with the implements of husbandry.

Under the first of these interesting heads, might, for instance, be classed, independent of general statistics : 1st. Sketches of the first settlement and progressive improvement of every or any township, town, or village in the district or elsewhere, with comparative tabular views of the gradual increase of their population up to the present time. 2d. Descriptions of the original wild natural features, compared with the present improved or cultivated aspect of different parts of the country, combined with interesting anecdotes of the first settlers. 3d. Enumerations of the various crops and other productions that have from time to time been introduced into the parts described, the average yearly quantities raised, the prices obtained at different periods, and the markets to which sent. 4th. Meteorological diaries, showing the range of the thermometer, near to and remote from, the great lakes, with notices of the wind and weather, and other natural phenomena, illustrative of the climate and seasons, either for a complete year, or a series of years.

Under the 2d, equally interesting and important head,