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Lie heavy on him, Earth, for he
Laid many a heavy load on thee.

EPITAPH ON SIR JOHN VANBRUGH.

Non in servitutum, sed in fidem tuam, nos tradimus. LIVY.

We came not as vassals, but as liege freeholders.

Remove fera monstra.

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Monsters, avaunt!

I find myself so much in arrear with my correspondents, that, without a long introduction, or any definite arrangement of them, I proceed to notice their communications, which, as they are of a very miscellaneous nature, will at least afford variety, if nothing more, to my readers.

The writer of the following article, has aimed an attack, not only upon individuals, but also against an institution, or rather the mode in which it is conducted, which, with all its defects, and yet imperfect state, has done much good in this province, and may do infinitely more. It appears to me that what is wrong in it is gradually wearing away, and its system annually improving* (excepting indeed in that odious feature of having salaried officers,) nevertheless occasional wholesome admonition, may be a curb to abuse, and a spur to exertion.

*In a series of letters under the signature of CARDO, which appeared in the Courant of last year, several hints were given for the extension and improvement of the agricultural Society of Montreal, which have not gone unregarded. In those letters the establishment of a BOTANICAL GARDEN was strongly recommended. It would be a most desirable object, and very easily accomplished: I mean to take up the subject, if I can find time.

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