

open a vast space of ground for inland settlement, besides connecting more closely many of the older settlements. Such an undertaking would give value to vast tracts of land which are no use now for want of roads. If the reader will refer to any map of the Province upon a large scale, he will see the great tracts to be gained to cultivation by such a measure. I feel satisfied that it would be far more advantageous to this Province than any Canal that can be carried on, and would give a handsome remuneration to capitalists. The government of England constantly encourages the laying out of

extensive roads by companies of private persons, by giving them the right to tolls and other facilities. It would be too much for the means of the public, burthened as it is already, to enter at present into such an expense, but a part might easily be defrayed out of the public chest as a Conus or gift to the undertaking. The capital required would not be great. Less than £15,000, I think, would be quite sufficient, and if such a company were allowed to issue their notes to that amount, there would be little difficulty in carrying it rapidly into effect.

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*BEAUTY AND PRIDE.*

Beauty and Pride and Virtue met  
To settle their affairs ;  
And when in full debate they sat,  
Each spoke of several cares.

Beauty said all her daughters were  
By Virtue's hand improved,  
And begged that Pride would keep herself  
From their loved haunts removed.

She said that when with Pride their breasts,  
Or Vanity, o'erflowed,  
The dangerous and unwelcome guests  
In wildest throbbings glowed.

That soon their form and face divine  
In dire contortions burned,  
While at the shrine of lofty Pride  
Their beauties were inurned.

Go seek, oh ! Pride, the hero's heart,  
Who for his country's right  
In manly and devoted part,  
'Gainst proud usurpers, fight.

Go see kthe brave, by wrongs oppress'd,  
And give them firmness still,  
And buoy them up in courage, best  
To conquer every ill.

It was agreed among the three,  
That thus they should divide  
Beauty and Pride quite separate,  
Virtue o'er both preside.

But Pride a most unruly dame  
The truce oft wildly broke,  
And Beauty oft hath had the shame  
To sicken in her yoke.

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**ADDRESS.**

At the opening of a new year it is usual for the managers of periodical publications to address their readers, with compliments and thanks. We have now proceeded in our undertaking as far as the seventh number; and having received a very generous support from the public, it would be ungrateful in us to overlook an occasion of the kind.

When we commenced the Magazine, it was not under the most favorable auspices. A Magazine has been tried in an earlier period of our provincial history. It was a compilation of extracted matter from English works. Although the selections it contained were very judicious, yet the period had not then arrived for the establishment of such a work: and it was after a fair trial, reluctantly abandoned. We were told that it was still a premature and rash speculation, that the country still depended on casual foreign sup-