

## EDITORIAL COLLOQUY.

*Snaffle.*—So you are actually going to try your hand at a Literary Magazine—with all the ghosts of your departed predecessors staring you in the face? Boldness deserves success; I wish I could say, that in this case it is likely to command it.

*Editor.*—The material is ample, the field is large, and if we fail we must blame our own incapacity, not that of the public.

*Sn.*—To be sure, the field is large enough in one sense, there are some two or three millions of square miles to work upon, but then the difficulty will be, to persuade the woods and forests, or the denizens thereof to become subscribers.

*Ed.*—Yes, and among these forests there are a million and a half of human hearts, not unwilling to be either instructed or amused, if we can only reach them.

*Sn.*—That saving clause was well put in; it will take a long arm to get at this scattered crowd. In sober earnest, Sir, I must look upon this as a somewhat mad scheme.

*Ed.*—How, why? It is not too late to back out;—I should be most happy to hear the advice of a judicious friend on the subject.

*Sn.*—Well, I dont like to be throwing difficulties in the way of a meritorious undertaking—but first of all—every thing of the kind has hitherto failed.

*Ed.*—Well, Sir, the public dont care about being fed on milk and water.

*Sn.*—Granted; but they can get strong food, stronger and better too, than you can give them, for the life of you, in greater abundance and at a far cheaper price; Jonathan has already the command of the market.

*Ed.*—Granted too, so far; we cannot give literature equal to Blackwood or the Edinburgh Review, we will not pretend to do so, but we hope to bring forward subjects of a distinctive character, possessing deep interest to every inhabitant of this magnificent country.

*Sn.*—A magnificent idea, beautiful among the clouds, but rather vapoury and intangible when brought to close quarters. Now to come to the point what are your distinctive subjects?

*Ed.*—I am not sure, *Snaffle*, that the tone of your advice invites confidence—however as the matter is sufficiently clear and simple to my own mind, I will endeavour to explain it in a few words to you.

*Sn.*—Dont murmur at my tone—I am as anxious for the success of the Magazine as yourself, only I am a plain practical man and do not often see visions; but the subjects,—let us hear your subjects.

*Ed.*—A few well written sketches of distinguished Colonists would in my opinion be read with interest, and not without profit by the inhabitants of these Provinces. My ambition does not extend further at present.