

which will add materially when carried out, to our already many superior public buildings, and the usual plate of the Fashions for the month. The Anglo American ought to have, what we hope it already does, a wide-spread circulation throughout the British North American Provinces.

Transactions of the New York State Agricultural Society, vol. 12, for 1852. Albany, printed by authority of the State Legislature. 1853.

We are indebted to the kindly consideration of B. P. Johnson, Esq., the efficient and much respected Secretary of the New York State Agricultural Society, for the last volume of its Transactions. We have been accustomed to look forward with no ordinary degree of pleasure to this annual exposition of that important Association, and we have derived much valuable information from the perusal of their volumes.

In the present report we find the usual information relative to the condition and operations of the State Society, and the different County Societies in connection therewith. The Reports on the trial of Implements; on curing and packing Provisions; on the cultivation of Grasses, and several other subjects will well repay a careful perusal. Dr. Salisbury contributes an interesting and valuable paper, containing the results of his analysis of a number of the ordinary plants and vegetables, cultivated as garden or field crops. A very elaborate report on the Agriculture of the County of Essex occupies 250 pages of the volume; it has been prepared by Winslow C. Watson, Esq., under the appointment of the State Agricultural Society, and embraces the civil and political history of the County; its natural history, including Mineralogy and Geology; its industrial progress and pursuits, with a detailed exposition of its agriculture. Such documents possess great interest and value. We shall turn more at large to certain portions of this volume hereafter.

Norton's Literary Gazette, New York: Charles B. Norton.

To the managers of Literary Societies, Book Clubs, Mechanics' Institutes, and indeed every man who has occasion to purchase, recommend, or form a judgment upon books, this publication will be found of indispensable advantage. It is published twice a month at the low charge of \$2 per annum. Each number contains clearly arranged lists of all works as they are published in the United States, England, France, Germany, &c., with their price, size, &c.—Also copious critical notices of the more important publications, a duty which is evidently executed with diligence, judgment and impartiality. There are in every number several well written papers on subjects connected with literature, schools and colleges, and the general interests of education, occasionally accompanied by well executed illustrations. As

libraries are in the course of formation in School Districts of Upper Canada, and Mechanics' Institutes, Agricultural Societies, and Farmer's Clubs increasing in all parts of the country, we can strongly recommend "*Norton's Literary Gazette*," as a most valuable auxiliary in carrying out the important objects of all such associations. It will also be equally valued by all such individuals as possess a literary taste.

Chambers's Journal of Popular Literature, Science and Arts. (New series) 1854.

London and Edinburgh, W. & R. Chambers; Toronto, A. G. Armour & Co.; Montreal H. Ramsay, and John Armour; Quebec, P. Sinclair; Bytown, A. Bryson; Kingston, J. Duff; Hamilton, R. R. Smiley; London: J. M. Graham.

Who has not heard of, or rather, who has not read Chambers's world-renowned Journal? For nearly a quarter of a century has this most instructive and amusing Periodical been before the public, and always in the foremost ranks, as a sound and efficient instructor of the people, in the widest acceptance of the term. By means of this, and their other numerous cheap and well prepared publications, the Messrs. Chambers have been the means, in a high degree, of refining the taste and enlarging the sphere of intellectual enjoyment of the great mass of the people beyond, perhaps, any other publishing establishment; in this or any other age or country. They have the honor of being the first to strike out a plan of furnishing the million with a really cheap and wholesome literature, free from all sectional and party influence, and of still pursuing it, after a lapse of many years, with increasing energy and success.

A new and improved series of this Journal having commenced with the present year, offers a favorable opportunity of subscribing to the work. In this series several improvements will be introduced but the general tone and character of the work will be retained. A higher class of Fiction, embracing original contributions from the most distinguished writers, will receive special attention. A series of papers by Mr. William Chambers, comprising observations made during his recent tour through Canada and the United States, will shortly appear; and a monthly review, written in a popular style, of Books, Science and the Arts, is to constitute one of the new features. The Editors say that "it will be their constant duty to maintain in the New Work all those general features, which, for twenty-two years have given their Journal its extensive popularity,—a cheerful Light Literature, comprehensive Information, sound Ethics, and enlightened views of a Progressive Social Economy, without the admixture of controversial matter of any kind."

Judging from the first Part, which is now before us, we are compelled to say that the Editors have fully redeemed their promise. A most interesting Tale is commenced, on Modern Life, entitled "Weary