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INTRODUCTORY.

IT may be thought necessary that we should give some account of ourselves, and therefore we desire to state our aim and objects in venturing into print ; believing that there has been a want of a Journal devoted to antiquarian pursuits, it is a matter of surprise that up to the present time there has not been in this city, any publication especially representing those interested in such study.

The only means hitherto existing, has been an occasional paragraph in a newspaper noticing the discovery of some relic, or (how frequently in Montreal,) the destruction of some ancient landmark, which transient notice has in its turn passed away ; whatever has been done in this direction has been desultory and irregular, and the time seems certainly to have fully arrived, when those interested in studies so important to the historian, should possess some means of recording their views and experiences, and of giving and obtaining information concerning them.

Collectors of coins, and others interested in Antiquarian research are comparatively few in number, and are, for the