

by the Provincial Legislature, and the large Subscriptions by the public, give this Society the means of doing the most extensive good.

*Quebec Gazette*.—The first number of "The Quebec Gazette," published by authority, and conducted by Dr. Fisher, the King's Printer, was published on the 30th of Oct. last. We are most happy to find from the preliminary remarks of the Editor, that a paper emanating under the immediate auspices of Government is likely, in its future numbers, to introduce to these Provinces that excellent system of political and literary inquiry which characterizes the best British Newspapers. In this country we have much need of the liberal plan of conducting Newspapers proposed by Dr. Fisher, and while he realizes the due estimation of his important duties, much blame must be attached to the publishers of periodical works, if they do not to a certain extent at least, follow his example.

*Monument*.—The commissioners for the erection of the Monument in memory of Major Gen. Sir Isaac Brock, give notice in the Upper Canada papers, that they are ready to receive proposals for its construction. It is to be a stone Tower, of fifty feet in height, and sixteen feet broad at the base, with a winding stone stair in the inside, and a vault beneath. It is to be commenced on the first of May next.

*Singular Explosion*.—A strange accident took place in a Chemist's shop in this city a few days since. A person having put a gallon or two of Alcohol upon a stove in a tin vessel, the liquid took fire and exploded with a violent shock. The whole room was filled with flame; and a person endeavouring to escape by the shop door, had opened it partly, and merely put his head out, when the sudden expansion of air in the room closed the door, caught him by the head, and held him for several seconds, until the conflagration ceased. No other injury than the loss of the liquor, and the fright suffered by the person present, was sustained.

*Religious Donations*.—We have been intrusted with making public the grateful acknowledgment of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Congregation of Cornwall; (U. C.) an acknowledgment which it is not the less their duty to make, because unwished—of the very liberal subscriptions of the Citizens of Montreal and Quebec—the former amounting to £150, and the latter to £50. Amongst these, that of His Excellency the Governor is in a particular manner gratifying, as indicative of that generosity and liberality which has distinguished his Government; and which must greatly tend to give public spirit a direction to all the interests and happiness of the Province.

*Assemblies*.—The Montreal Assemblies, which, last winter, added so much to the amusement and sociality of the city, are immediately to be arranged for their management, during the approaching season.—The comforts and general arrangements which will be ensured, cannot but render these more than equal to the former; and there is reason to expect a very general desire to make them contribute to the public satisfaction and pleasure.