

general act for the Incorporation of Mechanics' Institutes, Chap. 72 Consolidated Statutes of Canada. The new Constitution and Bye-Laws adopted under said Act have been in force since the first day of September last.

BOARD OF ARTS AND MANUFACTURES.

Your Board would strongly recommend to the members the monthly journal published by the Board of Arts and Manufactures for Upper Canada, as having a claim on their support. From the numbers already published and supplied to the Reading-Room, and from the following extract of a circular addressed to the Secretary of the Institute, its general design and object may be gathered:—

"As indicated in the Prospectus, the Journal will be devoted
"mainly to the promotion of the Arts and Manufactures of the
"Province; but it is also the desire of the Board to render it
"available as a medium of communication between the several
"Mechanics' Institutes of Upper Canada, whose interests, it is
"intended, the Journal shall at all times advocate. Abstracts of
"Reports and Proceedings of Institutes, as well as correspondence
"on any subject within the scope of the Journal, are therefore
"requested to be furnished for publication."

The annual subscription is only fifty cents to members of the Institute, to non-members, \$1.

Your Board have also received copies of a programme of Examinations in the several departments of science and education, proposed to be held annually by said Board, of such members of Mechanics' Institutes as may choose to avail themselves of their advantages.

In a communication accompanying the programme, the Board states that—

"The system therein proposed is very nearly the same as that
"which has been, for some years past, in successful operation in
"England, under the direction and management of the Society of
"Arts. One of the advantages to the holders of the Society's
"Certificates is, that it generally secures to its possessor ready

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