

I can also assert, without fear of contradiction, that I have accounted faithfully to the society for everything due to them; and if the statement relative to the Journal had proved correct, I should probably now be engaged in circulating that publication in every part of the Province.

I am quite prepared to defend myself, but, in so doing, shall be obliged to allude to facts, which, while they exonerate me, will seriously implicate others; and, I am sure, if I cannot prove conclusively that the appropriation to the Lower Canada Agricultural Society has been injudiciously expended, I can clearly demonstrate that it can be applied to much better advantage. If the Legislature of Canada will appoint me the publisher of an Agricultural Journal for the Provinces, and give me the same appropriation, I will give five hundred dollars annually—as long as the appropriation is made—to the erection and maintenance of an Agricultural School for the country; and five hundred dollars to be equally divided between the Mechanics' Institutes of Canada; and, I will give one-half of the proceeds of such a Journal to the poor who have suffered by the late calamitous fire in Montreal.

I must apologise for so long taking your attention from more agreeable topics. I should not have broached this subject at all, but I felt it most important that the public, especially the subscribers to the "MAPLE LEAF," should be assured that the dollars they send are safe.

THE PUBLISHER.



EDITORIAL.

We have chosen for the music of this month, a pathetic piece, by the Rev. Mr. Farrington, and corrected by Professor Seebold, who is well known in our city as a very skilful performer and instructor in the piano-forte. His establishment and warehouse of music, and musical instruments, will be found, No. 51, Great St. James Street. We do not consider it wise to attempt to give, in a magazine of this size, elaborate or intricate music, and shall, therefore, in future, endeavour to furnish choice family tunes, not now common, or easily obtained. Mr Seebold will arrange them for the "MAPLE LEAF," and see that they are correctly printed.

Mrs. Walton has examined every stitch of the crotchet, and pronounced it a perfect and pretty pattern; and should it prove imperfect, those who detect a mistake, must scold the publisher,—instead of blaming Mrs. Walton, —gently, however, a first, as he is just now particularly sensitive to censure from the ladies.

We are glad to renew our acquaintance with our former cheerful companion, the "SNOW DROP," and thank Mr. Armour for his politeness, in bringing this about. We are much pleased to see our friend so chastely and elegantly adorned, and bearing a face so bright and agreeable. We can scarcely believe that, in so short an absence, our youthful neighbour could have developed so many lovely traits. We have already returned the compliment, by sending the "MAPLE LEAF," which, though quite green in aspect, is much esteemed in Canada, where its characteristic elements, of the useful with the agreeable, are so well known.