To the Public.

AVING completed the THIRD VOLUME of the NOVA-SCOTIA MAGAZINE, we cannot, on the commencement of the HOURTH, forbear expressing our gratitude for the encouragement. and support we have hitherto received.

THE benefits to be derived to the Province from such a periodical Publication, are universally acknowledged; and though we can claim little merit from a bare selection from other Magazines, yet we own ourselves not a little gratified with the approbation we have met with in our endeavours to give satisfaction to the Public.

MANY of our Subscribers having suggested to us, that a reduction of the Size of the Magazine, so as to reduce the Price to Fifteen Shillings per Annum, would be more acceptable to our Readers in general—would encrease the number of Subscribers—and thereby render the Publication more useful, by giving it a more general circulation; we cheerfully accede to the proposed alteration, from a wish to accommodate the Public, and to remove every obstaclo to the permanent establishment of the Magazine.

Pages. We should be glad to reduce the price without any alteration in the size; but the present number of Subscribers will not admit of of it. In proportion, however, as the Subscribers increase, the Publication will resume its original size. It will still contain a greater quantity of matter than the English Magazines in general; and, comparing the extensive encouragement such Publications receive in Great-Britain, with the confined field this Country affords, we think no one can complain of the trisling difference in the price. It is not our intention, in this alteration, to diminish the miscellaneous part of our collection, which is generally admitted to be the most useful and entertaining; but we shall still continue to abridge the Article of Politics, by reducing the size of the Chronicle, omitting, occasionally, the Remarks on New Books, and selecting sewer Articles of Poetry.

Though we cannot boast of numerous favours from Correspondents, yet we have received some Pieces, for which our sincerest thanks are due. We hope those gentlemen will continue their Communications;