

read before it in the ordinary course. Several poetical productions however were submitted for the Society's prizes. Two of these were not without merit; yet neither of them appeared to come up to the standard, which would justify the Society in bestowing upon them the approbation implied in adjudging to them one of its Medals. Through some inadvertency, the time at which prizes should be offered was, this year, allowed to pass without the usual publication of prize subjects. Though the omission was truly unintentional, we conceive that it is not a very important one; since the experience of several years supplies us with so few instances of productions of any merit being sent in for competition.