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Magnus sine viribus ignis.

VIRGIL.

Great cry and little wool.

——— *Dat inania verba*

Dat sine mente sonum ———

VIRGIL.

Words without meaning, sound without a sense,
Clamour unfounded ; justice, all pretence.

Et vigilant nostra semper en æde lares.

OVID.

*Ainis les loups, et les larrons,
Gardent brebis, et les maisons.*

I am drawn away from the customary current of my lucubrations, by the following singular document, which has just been published in the newspapers. Ostentatiously made a prominent article in the editorial head of the Quebec Mercury, taking even precedence of the momentous subjects that at present agitate the Canadian political world, namely the Governor's speech and the projected Union : inserted in the Quebec Gazette as a government paragraph, and copied into other papers with evident marks of satisfaction.

Whilst I can not but congratulate my subscribers, and myself, upon this signal mark of the great importance that attaches to the Scribbler, and upon the advantageous effects it must have, (and already has, for the same post from Quebec brought an accession of several new subscribers,) upon the extension, reputation, and circulation of the paper ; I can not but seriously mourn,