few exceptions) in systematic order: Each article is numbered, which numbers answer to those of a descriptive catalogue which has been carefully made out for public inspection; for besides the name of the Mineral and the place it came from, the opposite page contains definitions and preliminary notes; an addition most wholly unnecessary in a region where to the science of Mineralogy is as it is infancy. To advance the means for this useful branch to advantage, the Corporation have ordered an *assaying apparatus*, to assay their specimens as may be collected from different parts of their own country.

The importance of studying the Mineral Kingdom, has been till late acknowledged by all Europe. In *Sweden* and *Germany*, Mineralogy, is considered as a branch worthy the attention of the nobility and gentry. They have Colleges in which it is professed. They have Colleges in which it is regularly taught; it forms a distinct and honorable profession, like that of the soldier, the merchant, or the barrister. In foreign colleges it makes a part of the administration of the State. This example has been followed by the *French Republic*, and *Spanish Nobility*. (1.) The French have erected a *Mineralogical School* at *Paris*, to which a considerable pension is annexed. Subterraneous Maps of the whole Kingdom, were tracing before the revolution, and have been continued with great care under the Republic, and *specimens of the various strata, foundations, fragments, and manufactures of minerals*, have been regularly transmitted to our *Mint*, &c. have been regularly transmitted to our *Mint*, &c. How happy should we be, could we *Mint*, &c. How happy should we be, could we imitate them. With similar returns from this country they with similar returns from this country!

Things so far helped to the means of studying Ores and other Minerals to advantage, by our intercourse with *France* and *England*. It would be unpardonable not of collecting for them among our colonies. We have reason to believe that our *copper*, *lead*, *iron*, and other Minerals: our *Coal*, and other Minerals: and that we have treasures now hid in the earth: for want of persons properly instructed to draw them forth. It is not to be regretted that their treasures are hid, but that they are not discovered, and persons qualified to draw them forth. Our wealth is not so much dependent on fertility, as on this day remain dependent on fertility, nothing, for riches that lie under our feet.

The benevolent Thomas Hollis, of *London*, has wrote in the black leaf of a book on Mineralogy which he lent to the Colleges in 1765, this filial advice—"A Professorship of Chemistry and Mineralogy, to be established in Harvard College, Mineralogy, to be illustrated by a Mineral Kingdom, which also we send, it is unprecedented, but we trust the *New England* will *imitate* it, or *Mr. Hollis* cannot be too much recommended to posterity."

It is therefore requested that every well wisher to the prosperity of his country, who holds out a Mineral Production beyond the appearance of a common stone, would take care to transmit it to the *College* at *Cambridge*, where if valuable, it will be preferred with the donor's name.

B. W.

Cambridge, May 17, 1796.

(1) Preface to Kirwan's Mineralogy.

(2) Rich *Tin Ore* has been lately found within 20 miles of *Bath*, and *Copper* within 20.

(3) The greatest benefactor of Harvard College.

FAYETTE—*AMERIC IS FRIEND, AND LIBERTY IS FRIEND TO ALL.*

A LITTLE work by A. Mercoyrol, Jun. is published in *Germany*, under the title of *Mémoires Secrets pour servir à l'Histoire de la Révolution de France*, with high praise. After stating a very full distinction between the Patriots of *Great Britain* and *France*, he concludes, "Those who, animated by foolish ambition, and blind as to their country, to the ruin of the Nation, find only to his fatherly care, against their native land, and to Fayette, who will always be ready to give themselves from the horrors of the Mountain; he makes a very flattering reflection on the present failure of things:—

"In the mean time the war against *France*, continues without interruption. The United States, without their principles against the French Powers, offering to them of its field and will that to appear by their long and enslaving yoke, can their equal in skill with its courage, war against France while the king of *Prussia* is right, to be equal to the power of *Austria*, and the Land-Hessel one of the interfering nations, Alexander Lameth and Lafayette, the Dukes of German liberty, for M. The three principal of German liberty for M. Alexander Lameth and Lafayette, the Dukes of German liberty, for M. Lafayette, the Dukes of German liberty, for M. Lafayette, the Dukes of German liberty, for M.