



TEMPERANCE MONUMENT AT COBK.

The temperance cause is rapidly advancing in Ireland, and at Cork has just been laid the foundation of a beautiful Gothic tower, designed to commemorate the signal success of this "labour of love." The interesting ceremony is shown in our engraving, from a sketch by Mr. Mahoney, of Cork; the site selected is Mount Patrick, the residence of Mr. William O'Connor, of Marlborough-street, by whom this splendid testimonial is about to be raised. A very numerous and fashionable company were invited to attend, and a more brilliant or animated scene could scarce be imagined than was presented on entering the place so judiciously selected for the erection of the monument. The scenery in every direction from the commanding eminence of Mount Patrick is of surpassing beauty and attraction. The day was beautifully fine, and the atmosphere clear and bracing. Standing on the site of the intended building, the landscape in front was the most varied and romantic that could be presented in any other location from which the unobscured scenery that surrounds the "beautiful city" might be witnessed. The lovely and fertile valley of Glencove, with its rich plantations and luxuriant demesnes, extended far away in the rear, and in front the highly-cultivated land of the little and great island stretched along to the left, intersected in several places by the estuaries from Lough Mahon, which spreads its broad and placid expanse in the foreground, and was studded with many a noble craft. Still farther in the distance might be discovered the noble harbour of Cork, with the forts of Spike and Blackbowline,