## Neubern Sentinel.

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THE JURA MOUNTAINS-PAYS DE VAUD
To traverse "the long rough froad" between
Paris and Poligny, is bad enough,-- ${ }^{\text {do }}$ describe Paris and Poligny, is bad enoigh,-to describe
twould be worse-but the penaly of readin such descriptions would be worst of all I Y
Reichard and Mrs. Slarke inflict this last pu ishment on thousands of their countrymen an
women annually ! Such descriptions are, aft ail, the only things on the dell and direary ract Which are calculated how these añd other wr
ti is really wonderrat
ters have been able to invest the coontry wit eauties which has.
In was a grea, violation of the unity of French
monotony and of the Genius of Geography, to
nnex the Jura Mountains to France ppear the natural boundary between that coun
and switzerlend, and partake much mor of the geological features of the later than th
former territory. This chaij of mountain presents many beautiful prospects-but none
more joyful to the traveller, than that which is
seen from the heights above Poligny-because it a farewell to France: He who has pil as sion as he begins to ascend from the stupid,
though fortile and vine-clad plains of Burgundy
and Franche Compte. Should the route of the Rhine be prohibited, I had rather go round by
the Cape of Good Hope to Switzerland, than
taverse France another time! It is really



Tee great military road winds up and along
recipices-through magnicicent forests or nech and pine-the rivulets are heard foam-
ng over leiges of rock-while innumerable
alpine shrubs and flowers unfold their varying ints and hues to Sumner suns and Winter
somows. From Champagnole to Les Russese,
the scenery is rery interesting-and, in several places, the ascent to Les Russes, present some
and the
extremely yomanticespots- especilly a valley
on the right hand soon after leaving Morez, on the right hand soon after leaving Morez,
vhere Rasselas might have been placed, and
the picture, as far as geographical seenery is
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Twas at this instant-while there glo
This last intonsest gleano of light-
Suddenly through the opening road

And Aps on Alps in elusters swelling,
Mighty and pure, and fil to make
The ramparts of a Godheends dwelling
The Savoy, or opposite side of the lake at-
racts most attentien. The immense chain of Alps, with the monarch of mountains (Mont
Blanc) at their head, presents three very dif-
ferent, and tolerably defined zones or regions.
The first is the snowy region, undulated like
white fleecey clouds, on an autumnal erening,
nd so much resembling them, that it is only by waiting some time, that the distinction can
be ascertained. In this region, Mont Blane still preserves his superiority-and from the
Jura, this superiority is more striking than from any other point that I have seen in Swizzerland.
It is curious that the higher the spectator is If is curious that the higher the spectator is
placed, the higher this monarch of the Alps
appears. Thus. from the Valley of Chamou-
ni, at the foot of Mont Blanc, the height of ni, at the foot of Mont Blaric, the height of
that mountain seems by no means remarkable; though the vastness of the immense pile is
peculiarly so. But from the Jura, the altitude
of the mountain is something incredible. of the mountain is something incredible.
The next band or region is of a dark bl color, interspersed with many white points o
perpendicular lines, and the naked eye eannc
distingush the parts of which this region is perpendicular lines, and the naked eye cann
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etmposed. A good telescope plainly she
that it it the eregion of woot, rock, glacier an
and orrent. The woods, which are chiefly pine,
together with the naked rock and the haze
vhich hich hangs about the woods, give this region
the dark blue tint. The torrents, the glaciers,
nd the white cliffs reflect the rays of the nd the white cliffs reflect the rays of the ev perpendicular lines in the landscappe.
The lowest range or zone is that of cul
tion-or, more properly spasking, of fertilitity
for every spot of the middele region, on which We hand of industry can bear, is cultivated in
some way or other. The Savoy side of the ake is neither so fertile nor so well managed s as the Pays de Vaud; but still the telescope,
nd even the naked eye ranges over vineyards,
orn fields, gardens, plantations-in short,
over every kind of agriculture, down to the water's edge-presenting a successionn of habiations, from the simple chalet perched on the
edge of a precipice, or hanging, as it were, villa reposing on the banks of the Leman, and The eye at leng surf comes of the glassy lo latike
信 Geneva on the right, to Vevay and Chillon on beams of the left. These last two
rom the gorge of the Jurand with the

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