

WATER WORKS.

These are situated a short distance from Arsenal Hill, and, strange to say, the water is not taken from the neighboring river, but from numerous springs that bubble up through the earth. These springs are widely scattered, but iron tubes leading from each conduct the water to the works, where it is pumped into a huge reservoir, from which the city is supplied. This reservoir is situated on the top of a hill, and being of great capacity, is able to supply water both for public and private use. The clayey soil of Columbia renders

the water in these springs peculiarly sweet, and, as it is pumped from the fountain head, nothing can be more palatable. At present, owing to the want of finances, many of the hydrants are out of repair, and the water-works of the city are comparatively useless; but the private houses appreciate the benefit derived from this source, and use it accordingly. Below the reservoir, and at the foot of Arsenal Hill, is

THE PARK.