The design of this work therefore is to help the intellect—to pour light into the understanding—to inform the judgment—to improve the morals and to correct the taste. Where this is experienced the soul receives nutriment, health and vigour, without which it sickens and dies, and presents to view nothing other than a dreary waste infected with poisonous vapors and inhabited with ravenous beasts.

The character of the Monitor will be—First, Religious, but not devoted to any particular sect or party, or advocate the peculiar sentiments of any one denomination, but shall be decidedly opposed to all infidelity in whatever shape it may appear among men.

Secondly. A considerable portion of each number is to be Scientific. The Publisher intends to present under this head, such literary matter as shall advance his young readers to a more general knowledge of the different branches of learning. For this purpose he intends to open the pages of the Youth's Monitor, to the Communications of Literary individuals in this Province, who no doubt will contribute largely to the defusing of useful information among its readers.

This work will also advocate MORALITY. The Publisher intends under this head, to be very particular in pointing out the many vices to which young persons are exposed—their pernicious tendency, and the consequences which must unavoidably result in persisting in them. In short, every thing that is at all conducive to the general improvement of the rising generation shall find a place in the Youth's Monitor and Monthly Magazine. The Publisher therefore requests that those who wish well to such a periodical will be active in endeavouring to sustain it. He is aware that should he not be borne out in the expenses which will be necessarily incured in publishing the Monitor, it must cease to exist. But shall it be said, that the desire for improvement is so small in Upper Canada, that a periodical of such importance to the country cannot be sustained? We hope not, although it any not in its commencement vie with works of the like nature in other parts of the globe. The Publisher expects there will be an interest taken, on the part of his youthful friends, to promote the circulation of the Youth's Monitor, in different sections of the country. He at least looks to them for their united support. He begs pardon for occupying so much room in this number in making known his intentions, and in giving at such length the character of this work in the form of an address. But in doing so he feels he has not only discharged a duty he owes to the public, but he hopes he has also answered the enquiries of many.