

" SIR,

" It was this morning when I received the Honor of your letter. I shall consider it a duty to return an answer to your demand, as soon as it will be in my power to do so, persuaded that You will assist in accomplishing a work so useful to the province.

" I have the Honor to be, Sir,

" Your most humble and most obedient servant;

" CHARLES FRANÇOIS DE CAPSE;

" *Coadjutor at Quebec.*

The Chairman then added, that he was lately honored with the following communicative letter on the subject, from the Right Reverend Bishop of Quebec.

" QUEBEC, 18th November, 1789.

" The Honorable WILLIAM SMITH; }
 " Chief Justice.

" SIR,

" The following is the Result of my Reflections upon the scheme which you did me the honor of communicating by your Letter of the 13th of August.

" Nothing is more worthy of the wisdom of the Government under which we live, than the encouragement of Science by every possible means; and with respect to myself, let me assure you, nothing can be more agreeable to my views and wishes. At the name of an University in the province of Quebec, my *native* country, I bless the Almighty for having inspired the Design, and my prayers are offered for the execution of it. However, as you give me to understand, that my opinion will be received with pleasure, I ought to suggest to the Honorable