

Hon. and Venerable the Archdeacon of York, who have witnessed his continued and unwearied exertions in the cause of education in this Province, which have been attended with a very great degree of success, will derive much satisfaction from the perusal of the following communication, which we have been requested to insert.

The piece of plate, procured from London, and which, we are informed, is executed in a style singularly chaste and classical, was presented yesterday, by a number of the former pupils of the venerable gentleman, some of whom attended from a distance.

The occasion must have been one as gratifying to the feelings of their late tutor, as it was honourable to those of his former pupils, so many of whom, bearing in grateful recollection his arduous endeavours in the cultivation of their minds in youth, and the steady friendship which he has evinced towards them in after life, have united, after so great a length of time, in presenting to him this tribute of their respect and esteem.

We have not yet seen the piece of plate presented, but we understand it to be a very beautiful Epergne (cost about £230 sterling), made by Messrs. Grey, Hunt, Hawly and Denton, eminent goldsmiths in London, assisted in the design by Thomas Campbell, Esq., the author of the *Pleasures of Hope*, and by Wm. Dacres Adams, Esq. of London, who kindly consented to aid the artists with their suggestions. The base, which is particularly chaste and elegant in its proportions and design, supports four classical figures, representing Religion, History, Poetry and Geography; and surrounding a column, around which twine the ivy and acanthus, the whole surmounted with a wreath. Within the square of the Pedestal, not exposed to view, are engraved the names and place of residence of the gentlemen who presented this tribute, many of whom, besides the Rector of Montreal, who attended in person on the occasion, are at present holding responsible situations in the colony, including the Chief Justice, and one other of the Judges of the Court of King's Bench, and the Speaker of the House of Assembly.

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YORK, 2d July, 1833.

SIR,—We are desired as a Committee in behalf of a number of gentlemen, who have united in presenting to the Hon. and Ven. Dr. Strachan, their former Tutor, a piece of Plate, as a testimony of their respect and esteem, to request that you will have the goodness to insert in the *Courier* the address which was delivered to him on the occasion, together with his answer.