

principle, interminable confusion and strife, a vast and needless increase of the cost of education, and a deterioration of its quality.

That these results must ensue, especially, from the sectarianising of superior education, the most expensive of all, as is abundantly evident from the partial admission of the sectarian element in past legislation, and the further exorbitant demands based on such concessions.

That your petitioners would therefore pray your Honorable House not to consent to the appropriation of University or other Government funds to any College not strictly founded on the non-denominational basis, and especially to preserve from division and spoliation the endowment of the University of Toronto; which the people of Upper Canada, after a long and painful struggle, have once already rescued from sectarian control.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

A. LIGHTBODY, *Chairman*.  
W. W. SMITH, *Secretary*.

Dated at Hamilton, June 16, 1862.

### MISSIONARY SUBSCRIPTIONS.

It being desirable to have all Missionary accounts in readiness for the Union Meeting, the Pastors and Members of the Churches in the Middle District, are respectfully urged to send in all monies yet unpaid *as early as possible in May*.

JAMES T. BYRNE,  
*Sec. M. D. M. C.*

Whitby, April, 1863.

### CONGREGATIONAL MINISTERS' WIDOWS AND ORPHANS FUND.

#### RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged .....	\$95 05
Collection in Zion Church, Montreal .....	97 94
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#### ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Society will be held (D.V.) in the Vestry of Zion Church, Montreal, on Wednesday, the 10th June next, at 2 o'clock P.M.; at which meeting the plan of the Society's operations will have to be revised, and such alterations made in the by-laws as may be found necessary.

P. W. WOOD,  
*Secretary*.

Montreal, April 19th, 1863.

### RECEIPTS FOR CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE.

*In April, 1863.*

Kingston, additional, per Rev. K. M. Fenwick.....	\$23 00
Lanark, 1st Church, per Rev. R. K. Black.....	12 12
Brantford, per Rev. J. Wood .....	27 00
Cobourg, on account, per Rev. A. Burpee.....	16 50
Guelph, additional, per Rev. W. F. Clarke.....	4 00
Manilla, additional, per Rev. D. McGregor.....	9 40
Rev. J. Porter .....	3 00

Once more, the Secretary would remind the supporters of the College, that the Treasurer's account must be closed on the 31st May *precisely*. No remittance received after that date can be included in the Financial statement of 1862-3. Will the officers of every church, which has not yet contributed for the year, see that subscriptions are taken up and forwarded in time?