

in a spirit of justice, we respectfully request your serious and enlightened consideration of our demand.

We have the honor to remain,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servants,

(On behalf of the Committee)

(Signed,) P. DOWD, *priest,*
Chairman.

Montreal, February the 7th, 1876.

APPENDIX 1.

At a meeting of the St. Patrick's Congregation, held in the sacristy on Sunday the 16th January after Grand Mass, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted :

1st. Resolved.—That the violence done to liberty of conscience, in the case of William McEntyre, who died on the 3rd inst. in the General Hospital of this city, directly concerns all friends of religious liberty, but more immediately the St. Patrick's Congregation; and that we heartily endorse the action of our priests in this sad and most regrettable outrage against religious liberty in general, and against the free adoption and profession of the Catholic religion in particular.

2nd. Resolved.—That the vital principle involved in the case of young McEntyre must be defended at any cost; and that therefore we pledge ourselves to support our clergy in the prosecution of the case, till an ample guarantee has been secured that perfect freedom shall be given to all patients in the General Hospital to ask for the clergyman of their choice, and to all Catholic priests, when asked for, to attend, without obstacle or interference of any kind from any official of the institution, to the spiritual care of all those who may choose their ministry.

3rd. Resolved.—That a committee of five gentlemen, with power to add to their number, be now appointed to co-operate with our