

*Extract from the written Statement of the late VENERABLE
PRINCIPAL LEITCH, D.D., read at a meeting of the Board of
Trustees of Queen's College, Kingston, on 30th February,
1864. See page 77 of the printed copies of documents con-
nected with the Appeal, in the case of Weir vs. Mathieson.*

“The opposition to Mr. Bell’s appointment is readily understood.
* * No ordinary disappointment must, therefore, have been
felt when—— ——’s resignation was at once and gladly
accepted; and when, in addition, a lecturer, certainly not of
less talent or promise, was at once appointed. The College
has not only benefited by the change, but * * Of this I
am convinced, that no man could have done better than Mr.
Bell, and that just in proportion to his merits would be the
opposition raised against him. I have frequently attended his
lectures in the Arts Department when perfect order was kept.
Though so young he has given the most gratifying evidence
of his future eminence as a lecturer and man of science. He
has stood the ordeal through which he has passed most nobly.”

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