

direction of the Baptist denomination, is the most signal mark of confidence it was in his power to manifest towards the people of his choice. The Body is called to give thanks to Almighty God for His singular goodness thus manifested, and to lift up prayerful hearts for His wisdom to guide us aright in using the vast means put in our trust. The work of Christian education waits at our hands an exemplification of its power over the lives of men. Our opportunity is the grandest in this behalf that ever came to our denomination at any time in any land. To God be all the praise,

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee,

THEODORE H. RAND.

Chairman of Charter Committee.

Woodstock, Oct. 4th, 1887.

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An Act to unite Toronto Baptist College and Woodstock College under the name of McMaster University.

WHEREAS it has been represented by petition of the Toronto Baptist College and Woodstock College, two institutions of learning, carried on in connection with the denomination of Christians called Regular Baptists, that the Toronto Baptist College was incorporated by an Act passed in the forty-fourth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, for the training of students preparing for the ministry of the Regular Baptist denomination, with power to confer degrees in Divinity, and has, since its incorporation, been in operation in the city of Toronto; that Woodstock College was incorporated under the name of the Canadian Literary Institute in the twentieth year of the same reign; that by an Act passed in the forty-sixth year of the same reign, the name therefore was changed to Woodstock College, and that the work of education has been carried on in such institution at the town of Woodstock for the last twenty-eight years; that it would conduce to the success of the educational work of the said denomination to have the property and control of the said colleges vested in a Board of Governors, subject to the powers and rights of a senate as hereinafter provided, and to have the usual powers and privileges of a university conferred upon such board and senate, and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said petition;

Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:—

1. From and after the date hereinafter fixed for the coming into effect of this Act, the Toronto Baptist College and Woodstock College shall be united and form one corporation under the name of McMaster University, and shall be under the management and administration of a board of governors, which, until the appointment of a chancellor as hereinafter provided, shall consist of sixteen members, who shall be elected as follows: twelve members by the Regular Baptist Missionary Society of Ontario, and four members by the Regular Baptist Missionary Convention, East, which said sixteen members shall hold office for four years, except that of those first elected by the Regular Baptist Missionary Society of Ontario, three shall retire at the expiration of one year, three at the expiration of two years, and three at the expiration of three years, from the date of their appointment; and of those elected

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