

them for the actual business of life and send them from the University to the Courts, not trembling at the sound of their own voice, but with skill and confidence in public speaking already acquired. I do believe, Sir, that with this provision, and the fees derived from a class so founded in the Capital, some mind eminent in the profession would be found to fill this chair, even before an increase of population and resources would yield a more adequate return. There are several examples, both in the Edinburg College and the London Institutions, of professional men enjoying large practice, who employ part of their time in the duties of the chair. When in Montreal last Summer, I took pains to enquire into the Medical School founded in connection with M'Gill College there. Six Medical men who practice in that City, with a patriotism which is in the highest degree creditable, have united together to found a Medical School, which affords, it is said, a medical education as perfect as can be obtained on this continent. I ask my friend, Dr. Hume, and Dr. Grigor, who are now present, if such a school is impracticable here, considering the number of the profession and the advantages to be derived from the extensive practice in our poor Asylum and Military hospitals. All that is required, I believe, Sir, to ensure success, is a commencement.

As for Theology, each sect must provide its own Professor, and train candidates for the pulpit out of their own funds. Here, then, we have a system in which all may unite—free of sectarian influence—offending none, and combining all. Here we have a system far more perfect than that which we do or can enjoy under the denominational, and at a cheaper—not at a dearer rate.—The one system involves, as has been shown, an annual expenditure of 5 or £6000—the other can be supported at £2100. Five or six Colleges will draw from the Legislature at the present rate £2600. Of the £2100 required to support a central institution, if Dalhousie be selected as the site, the Province will not be asked for more than 8 or £900. How is this calculation made up? First, we have an extensive stone edifice, in perfect order, with convenient apartments for all the