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**Report of the Commission on Federation to be made to the
Corporation of the University of Trinity College at a Special
Meeting to be held on Thursday, 25th June, 1903.**

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A brief recital of the facts leading up to the present situation will help to a clearer judgment upon the matters now to be submitted to the Corporation.

The federation of Trinity with the Provincial University was definitely adopted, as a policy, by this Corporation in May, 1900, if proper terms of federation could be secured, and at the same time a small Commission was appointed with authority to negotiate terms with the Provincial Government and the University of Toronto, and to conclude an agreement for federation, subject to ratification or rejection by the Corporation.

A memorandum outlining terms which the Corporation deemed desirable was given to the Commission, and these terms have in the main been adhered to throughout. In two matters the memorandum provided for alternative propositions; one in regard to the question of site, and the other in regard to Trinity Medical College. As to site, your Committee first put forth every effort looking to suitable arrangements for the removal of Trinity's buildings to the Queen's Park, but for several reasons this plan became in time manifestly impracticable, and the alternative proposition of federation without removal was accordingly adopted. We believe that the acceptance of this alternative has met with very general approval. As to Trinity Medical College, the alternative propositions were: (1) The inclusion of the College, as such, in the plan of federation; (2) The amalgamation of the Medical Faculty of the College with the Medical Faculty of the University of Toronto. Here, again, as in the other instance, the former plan was first tried and found to be impracticable, and the alternative was then adopted with the consent and approval of the Medical College.

The federation negotiations fell into two distinct periods. First was the period leading up to the University Act of 1901, during which our negotiations were carried on directly with the Provincial Government. This was followed by an interim of more than a year, after which negotiations were resumed, being then carried on, as provided for in the Act above referred to, with the Trustees of the University of Toronto, and they have been continued up to the present time.