

6. The Degree of Bachelor of Arts, as granted by the Protestant Universities, after courses of study and consecutive examinations extending over three or four years beyond the Academy or High School Standard, implies the highest kind of preparation attainable in this Dominion or elsewhere. This degree is accordingly accepted for entrance in the highest professional schools of the Mother Country and of the other Provinces, and the fact that it is not accepted in this Province is a reproach to our country, a disparagement of our Universities and a great discouragement to the higher education.

For the above reasons, it is held by the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction and by the Protestant Universities :

(1) That the Degree of Bachelor of Arts should be accepted as evidence of qualification to enter on the study of any profession.

(2) That for those not possessing this degree there should be one public Examining Board, acting under the educational authorities of the Province, and providing for entrance into the study of all the professions.

(3) That this Board should be divided into two sections for Protestant and Roman Catholic candidates respectively.

(4) That the action of the Professional Councils in reference to general education should be limited to indicating to the examiners the extent of the examination required for entrance into the several professions, and to securing certificates of the same from the examiners.

II. *With reference to the Examinations for License to Practice*, it is held by the Universities :—

1. That their courses of study should be respected, and should not be interfered with by the Professional Councils, except in case of any grave abuses; since it is not the Councils but the Universities that are recognized by Royal Charters and Legislative enactments as teaching bodies.

2. That the privileges with reference to admission of graduates to practice heretofore enjoyed by the Protestant Universities cannot constitutionally be withdrawn by any action of the Provincial Legislature; and that it is not in the interest of professional education that these privileges should be relinquished in favour of Central Professional Examining Boards distinct from the Universities.