

the disposal of the Faculty the annual sum of fifteen hundred dollars. Whatever may be further necessary for this purpose must be provided by contributions from the churches served, and the denomination in general.

4. It is proposed that the Baptist Theological College at Toronto shall in future sustain the same relation to Acadia College and its Academies, that it now sustains to the College at Woodstock, and which it has been already agreed upon, it shall sustain to a similar Baptist institution to be founded in the North-West.

It must be noted at this point that ministerial education includes three stages of work, (a) the preparatory work, which must be done in the academy, (b) the advanced work, which must be done in the literary college, and (c) the special professional work, which must be done in a strong and fully equipped theological institution.

Our proposal, therefore, is, that as soon as a young man is approved by a church to preach the gospel, and commences his studies in either of the institutions named, he shall be eligible to receive such encouragement and pecuniary help as shall enable him to prosecute his course of study. The method of rendering the necessary help to young men in attendance at the Theological College has already been explained in paragraph three. Some equally effective provision should be made by the churches for those in attendance at the other institutions, to be administered in such manner as the respective conventions and boards may from time to time determine. Brethren, we have indicated in this brief outline what we are doing in Toronto, and what we desire to do, with your coöperation, in the future for the entire Dominion of Canada. Permit us in closing to call your attention to some of the benefits to our own denomination that would necessarily and almost immediately follow the adoption of the plan proposed.

1. The Baptist Denomination throughout the Dominion would be intelligently engaged in developing in a systematic way, first-class literary institutions in which our sons and daughters from the beginning of their educational course would be trained under the guidance and instruction of Christian men and women. The good effect of such a union of action in Christian education would, we believe, be almost without limit.

2. The influence of the Theological College in Toronto would extend to every class of denominational schools, whether college or academy, throughout the entire Dominion. The professors engaged in theological training would be equally interested in every province of the Dominion; and from the plan proposed it will be seen that they would have ample opportunity of coming into contact both with the institutions and their constituents, and in such a way as to enable them to instil into the minds and hearts of the young men who are to occupy our churches, correct views of the importance of