

APPENDIX.

No. 1.

RECORDS

OF THE

VISITING COMMISSION

Appointed by His Excellency the Governor General as Visitors,
to enquire into the Financial condition of the University of
Toronto and University College.

TORONTO, 23rd November, 1861.

COMMISSION OF VISITATION:

University of Toronto.
University College.

PRESENT:

The Hon. JAMES PATTON, Chairman,
JOHN BEATTY, Esquire,
JOHN PATON, Esquire.
DAVID BUCHAN, Secretary.

The Chairman read the two commissions, and the letter from the Assistant Secretary for the Province, accompanying the same.

Mr. Buchan produced the letter containing his appointment as Secretary, which was read by the Chairman.

The objection was then raised, that it was inexpedient that the Bursar should act as Secretary, when the financial affairs of the University and University College were the subjects of investigation, and the Chairman was requested to inform the Government of the desire of the Commissioners, either that another Secretary should be appointed, or that the selection should be left to them, as 'might seem fit.' Mr. Buchan stated that he had been first asked and had given his consent to be a member of the Commission; that when the Government afterward proposed to limit his appointment to the Secretaryship, he had placed himself at their disposal, which was the position he still desired to occupy, being quite alive in the matter; but that in the meantime, until an answer is obtained, he would retire.

The Commissioners decided that the first enquiries should be directed to the state of the Endowment, and to that end requested the Bursar to furnish Tabular statements, shewing: