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**Lord Glenelg's Despatch to Sir F. B. Head,  
 on granting Charter to U. C. Academy.**

DOWNING STREET,  
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SIR, — With reference to my Despatch of the 2d March last, I have the honor to inform you that in consequence of the representations made to me by the Revd. E. Ryerson, I considered it my duty to advise His Majesty to grant a Charter of Incorporation to the Seminary of learning lately established in Cobourg under the title of the Upper Canada Academy. His Majesty having been graciously pleased to approve that advice, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith an additional instruction signed by His Majesty, directing you to pass under the Public Seal of the Province, Letters Patent for the Incorporation of the Academy in the terms therein specified.

In my Despatch of the 2d March, I informed you, that in the existing state of Public Affairs in Upper Canada, I had not felt at liberty to grant to this Institution any pecuniary assistance from the Crown Revenues of the Province. From that decision I have not been able to depart, but, appreciating as I do, the exertions which have been made by the Wesleyan Methodist Church for the promotion of Education in Upper Canada, I cannot but feel a lively interest in the success of this Academy, and a sincere desire that it may not be left without such pecuniary aid as may be necessary to its support.

I cannot doubt that in these sentiments the Representatives of the people of Upper Canada will coincide, and the object of my present Despatch is to desire that you will bring the subject under the notice of the Provincial Legislature at its next meeting, and suggest to the House of Assembly the propriety of affording pecuniary assistance to the Wesleyan Body in carrying into operation the Academy lately established by them. The amount of that assistance, and the source from whence it should be derived, must of course be left to the judgment of the House of Assembly.

I have, &c.

GLENELG.

[Signed]

Lieut. Governor SIR FRANCIS HEAD, K. C. H