

GENERAL CIRCULAR.

THE MOUNT ALLISON WESLEYAN COLLEGE was organized in July, 1862, under a charter obtained from the Legislature of New Brunswick. By virtue of this charter it possesses full University powers.

It is one of the affiliated Colleges of the University of Halifax. This relation involves important privileges to the graduates and students of the College, but does not, of course, impair or affect in any way, its chartered rights. The University Act establishing the University of Halifax, passed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia during the session of 1876, is ostensibly an attempt to promote the cause of higher education, by securing the sympathetic co-operation of the Governing Boards and Faculties of various Colleges. Interpreting it as a sincere movement in the interests of Educational unity and University Reform, the Board of Governors and Faculty of the Mount Allison Wesleyan College, in their conjoint character as the College Board, have authorized such a modification of the Arts Curriculum as will promote the convenience of Students preparing for the Degree Examinations of the University of Halifax. The subjoined Course of Study will, it is believed, answer this end, and at the same time render it easy to conserve the acquired rights of Students who have been working for Degrees according to the original Curriculum.

The College, true to the historic reputation of the other and older Mount Allison Institutions, is conducted on strictly non-sectarian principles. The general denominational control, under which it is placed, furnishes a sufficient guarantee that sceptical license will never be allowed to run riot within its walls, but does not imply the existence of a purpose or a wish to interfere with the conscientious convictions of any. The fullest recognition, however, is given to the truths and claims of the Christian religion: the Bible is publicly honoured as the Word of God, and no pains are spared that the education imparted may be suitably leavened with religious principle.