

In taking this course we beg to express our confidence in the willingness of the Local Legislature to do justice in the matter, and are prepared to apply to it in the next Session for permanent relief; but we desire to obtain the immediate protection necessary to secure the interest of students in the approaching educational session.

I beg leave therefore on behalf of the University to pray that immediate relief be given in the premises and to express our willingness to present any evidence or documents that may be desired in order that our prayer may be favorably entertained by His Excellency the Governor General in Council.

I beg leave to forward with this letter certain statements and petitions referring to the details of the enactments complained of.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) J. FERRIER,

*Chancellor.*

The Right Hon.

Sir JOHN A. MACDONALD, G.C.B.

---

DOCUMENTS ENCLOSED.

---

1. Statement of the Protestant Committee of the Council of Public Instruction, Province of Quebec.
2. Petition of McGill University.
3. Statement of McGill University.
4. Letter of Sir William Dawson, of McGill College.

---

PROTESTANT COMMITTEE,

*Protestant Universities and Superior Schools in relation to the Professions and Professional Examinations.*

---

EXTRACT of Minutes of Meeting of Protestant Committee, Council of Public Instruction, held on Wednesday, 30th March, 1887.

"Resolved,—That the Report of the Sub-Committee named to consider the relation of Protestant Universities and Protestant Superior Schools to the Professions and professional examinations be adopted with the exception of that portion which may be supposed to raise the question of the constitutionality of Section 49 of the Act 49-50 Vic, Cap. 34, being an Act respecting the Bar of the Province of Quebec, which in the opinion of this Committee requires further consideration.

"And with the aforesaid reserve that the said report be placed in the hands of the Premier of this Province.

"And, in addition thereto, that the Secretary of the Committee be requested to draw up a statement setting forth the extent to which the course of study now followed in the Protestant schools in this Province is affected by the provisions of said section."

ELSON I. REXFORD,

*Secretary.*

---