

was fixed on the motion of Dr. Ryerson before the present holder of the office became resident in Toronto; the salary of the Principal of Upper Canada College was determined with the concurrence of Dr. Ryerson before the Principal had a seat on the Senate; and the only other member of the Senate receiving a salary from the University or Upper Canada College Funds, enjoys the same income as master in Upper Canada College, which had always been attached to his office for twenty years before he first made his appearance on the Senate as President of a School of Medicine, which was then the Medical Faculty of Victoria College.* It is obvious, therefore, that in no single instance is this imputation borne out by the facts.

It is objected by all the witnesses, and in the memorial of the Methodist Conferences, that the Professors of University College are always appointed Examiners. I agree with the memorialists that these appointments are objectionable, but there have been practical difficulties in the way, which have hitherto prevented the abandonment of the custom. Every person acquainted with examinations will acknowledge, as is stated by Dr. Cook in his cross-examination, that no Examiner can be efficient who has not had practical experience in teaching. An amateur, however great his attainments may be, will make a bad Examiner. I hold it essential that a good Examiner must be a good teacher. But good teachers are, unfortunately, not numerous in Canada; and from the length of time over which the examinations extend, the choice is necessarily almost limited to Toronto and its immediate vicinity. Persons engaged in teaching cannot spare the time from their duties, and to mention this year alone, a professor of Queen's College, and one of Victoria College, have for this reason declined the appointment. Besides this, if it is objectionable that the professors should examine their own Students in the later years, it is equally wrong that other teachers should examine matriculants, some of whom have probably been their own pupils. We always appoint a co-examiner with the professor, and the professor always takes the principal part in examining the matriculants, where he certainly is the best that can be selected, and throws a large part of the work of the later years upon his colleague. Still, I fully admit the present practice to be objectionable; and several of the professors have expressed to me

again, in questions 458 and 475, and 505, 6 and 7, the whole circumstances as above related were brought out in an examination of Dr. Ryerson himself, all the documents being placed in his hands—the minutes of the Senate, the memorial of Dr. McCaul with the reference to the Senate and its answer, the subsequent action of the Government thereon, and the second reference to the Senate for further explanation, with its reply. Yet, after all this investigation the Rev. Mr. Poole is represented in the published proceedings of the Kingston Conference (p. 9 and 10) to have said, "in which analysis there is conclusive evidence, that the resolution on the increase of salaries charged on Dr. Ryerson was moved by the Vice-Chancellor and seconded by the Hon. Mr. Patton; and that Dr. Ryerson had nothing to do with it."

* In a paragraph of Dr. Ryerson's reply, (p. 41 of C. P.) headed "Mr. Langton and Dr. Wilson's misrepresentations as to the representation of Victoria College on the Senate," Dr. Ryerson gives a history of the Toronto School of Medicine, and adds, "Yet, in presence of these facts Dr. Wilson and Mr. Langton represent him (Mr. Barrett) as holding his seat in the Senate as a representative of Victoria College." Dr. Wilson and Mr. Langton never said that he now represents Victoria College; but they said that he first took his seat and for some time sat there as the President of the School which was at that time the Medical Faculty of Victoria; thus giving three members in the interest of Victoria College at a time when there was only one representative of University College; of which no one complained, although such an outcry is now made because four persons are at present on the Senate connected with University College, and only two with Victoria College.