

That during the session of 1885-6 the under-graduates and other students attending ARTS classes in Queen's and University College, Toronto, were respectively as follows:

	Under-graduates.	Others attending Arts classes.	Totals.
University College, Toronto...	321	141	462
Queen's College, Kingston...	160	107	267

That your petitioners have been unable to obtain the number of students attending Toronto University during the present session; that the returns when made out will in all probability show an increase; that in the case of Queen's the increase this session is marked; that the number of under-graduates attending has risen from 160 to 181, and that the total number of students enrolled is 367:

That since the first establishment of University College, Toronto, the total number of students who have graduated in ARTS (B.A. and M.A.) is 909, and that since the first establishment of Queen's University the total number of students who have graduated in ARTS (B.A. and M.A.) is 498:

That according to the calendars for the present session, issued by the authorities of both institutions, the total numbers of graduates of all kinds, from first to last are as follows, viz:

Graduated at University College, Toronto, total.....	1,041
Graduated at Queen's University, Kingston, total.....	887

That these statistics, obtained from official sources in both cases, will convey to your Honourable House a correct idea of the important work being done for the community by the two Universities at Toronto and Kingston:

That, however, the two institutions are doing their work under entirely different circumstances; forasmuch as the University at Toronto is and has always been wholly supported by public funds, the University at Kingston has had to depend on local aid and the generous support of its numerous friends;

That while your petitioners fully recognise the high value of Toronto University, they claim that Queen's University occupies a scarcely less important place in the intellectual and moral development of the community; that, therefore, while your petitioners would deeply regret to see Toronto University crippled in her noble work for want of sufficient revenue, they would equally deplore to see Queen's University left wholly unrecognized. In the opinion of your petitioners it is of the highest importance to the whole community that so marked an instance of local and private effort should be fostered and recognized: