

CONFIDENTIAL.

*Memorandum for the Board of Governors with reference to certain recent statements respecting the McGill Classes for Women.*

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1. The endowment of the Honourable Donald A. Smith, was given and accepted by the Board of Governors and Corporation, (see the deed of October 16th, 1886,) for the ultimate endowment of a College for Women, but in the mean time for Separate Classes for Women, as a Special Course in Arts; but no part of the income of the endowment was to be used, either directly or indirectly, for the support of mixed classes of the two sexes.

2. In making arrangements for carrying out this intention, under the resolutions passed by the Governors and Corporation, the Principal of the University conferred not only with the Faculty of Arts, but with all the Professors concerned individually, inviting them to recommend the best methods of providing for their several subjects, without any additional labour to themselves, unless voluntarily undertaken and for special remuneration. It was suggested to them that the lectures might be provided for by either of the following methods: (1.) By the Professor himself, with remuneration for the same. (2.) By the employment of an Assistant, or an assistant Professor, who might take certain portions of the work for both sexes. (3.) By any combination of these modes, or, (4.) By the engagement of a separate Professor or Lecturer for the Women. It was stated, however, that it was the belief of the Donor and others, that the last method would be less likely to be successful and acceptable than either of those previously mentioned.