

September 1st, 1927.

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Dear Mr. Hanson:-

With reference to your enquiry concerning the origin of the two small funds established by the graduates some fifty years ago, I have obtained the following information:-

(1) The first fund is referred to in the University Calendar of that date, as follows:

"The Graduates' Society of the University, in 1876, passed the following Resolution:-

"That the members and graduates be invited to subscribe to a fund for the endowment of the Libraries of the University; said fund to be invested and the proceeds applied under the supervision of the Council of the Society in annual additions to the Libraries; an equitable division of said proceeds to be made by the Council between the University Library and those of the Professional Faculties".

In terms thereof the following subscriptions have been announced to date, May 1st. 1883.....  
Total.....\$3,020.00

The origin of the second fund is referred to by Sir William Dawson in his autobiography in the following terms: