

promulgated and discussed; and when they are recalled, we submit that the invitation extended to Dr. Rand by Toronto Baptist College can properly be regarded as done in the interests of all parties concerned, rather than as being in any respect unmindful of the interests of Acadia. It is not conceivable that such invitation was given or accepted "in order to assist in carrying out a plan detrimental to your educational interests." It is hardly necessary to say that we have found Dr. Rand most thoroughly loyal to Acadia College and all her interests; but we have authority for stating that if he is now devoting his talents and energies as a teacher to the educational work of the Baptists of the Dominion, it is entirely due to his removal to McMaster Hall.

You make inquiry what additional pecuniary responsibility will follow your organic relation to the College by your appointment of Senators? Since the first of October last, Senator McMaster has assumed the payment of the salaries of all the professors, and has withdrawn the appropriation of \$1,500 per annum which he formerly made towards supplementing the compensation of students for missionary work. The College therefore asks nothing from the denomination for the support of instructors. The expense of warming and lighting McMaster Hall, all incidental expenses of the College, all appropriations for the assistance of students, whether in the form of supplementing the compensation for missionary service, or of grants or loans, according to their individual necessities, are left to be provided by the liberality of our churches. The amount will vary with the number of students, and the liberality of the mission society of Ontario last year cost the College nothing in the way of supplementing their salaries. We hope that in the near future Home Missions and Student support will be completely linked together, so that the two causes will be worked by students. As it is, we require about \$4,500 from the denomination for all the different expenses connected with our work. Hitherto this has come almost exclusively from the churches of Ontario and Quebec. During the past year our response has been peculiarly hearty and spontaneous. It is perfectly voluntary in its offering. No law compels us, but we have a new outpouring of loving appreciation of the work of supplying a well trained ministry for the Baptist Churches of Canada.

You define the view of all your statements and allegations to answer the following questions:

(1) "Will the Toronto Baptist College return to the plan laid down for our acceptance and adopted by the Board of Governors and the Convention in 1883? And

(2) "If not, will they give us clearly defined, their plans for the future?"

The asking of your second question implies that you expected a negative answer to the first. But in view of the explanations we