

Such was the determination come to, and, the better to increase her efficiency and usefulness, meetings were held, *first*, of Graduates, Benefactors, and all interested in any way; *secondly*, of the University Council; *thirdly*, of the Board of Trustees. At these meetings resolutions were passed, suggesting and strongly urging that the friends and well-wishers of Queen's throughout the country should unite in a league or special society for the purpose of effecting the objects set forth.

This is the origin of the organization which has been designated QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY ENDOWMENT ASSOCIATION. It must be understood to be a society having special purposes to promote, and quite distinct from any existing University body. It has no immediate connection with any of the teaching or governing organizations. It partakes more of the nature of an outer bulwark of the University, fortified by friends to maintain the integrity, to defend the interests and to promote the well-being of Queen's.

A constitution has been with great care prepared for the new Association, which, after being printed and circulated, has met with general approval.

The constitution briefly sets forth the objects of the Association as follows :

"To further in every possible way the interests and promote the general usefulness of Queen's College and University; and with this end in view to circulate information respecting its condition, aims, purposes and prospects, so as to enlist and secure general sympathy and support."

The constitution provides for enrolling gentlemen as *Members* and ladies as *Associate Members* with the same rights and privileges.

A subscription of one dollar per annum will admit each person to full membership.

The year ending 31st December, 1886, will be the first year of membership.

It is believed that the friends and well-wishers of Queen's thus united in an active organization will be in an infinitely better position to serve the institution than they have ever before been. It is believed that the Association will be capable of accomplishing much good for this the oldest seat of higher education in Ontario. It is believed that Queen's, strengthened and upheld by the Association, will command greater influence and evoke greater public sympathy.

Occasion may at any time arise when the Association will be in a position to prove of eminent service. It is publicly announced that Toronto University has again appealed to the Ontario Government and Legislature for additional revenues to enable it to carry on its work. We have no hostility to Toronto University. We entertain