To
The Rev. Dr. Cunningham.

Toronto April 6th 1847

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My Dear Sir — My present Connection with the Colonial Committee, renders it necessary for me to explain to some Member of that Committee, the relation in which I stand to a Certain institution in the U. States, Concerning which I believe you and I hold the same opinion. Although you are not a Member of that Committee, yet I wish you to Communicate with Dr Candlish on the subject of this letter, and send me your advice. My only desire is, to do my duty to all parties with whom I am at present Connected. In order to give you a Clear Sum of my present position, it will be necessary for me to advert to that period of my past life, during which I sojourned in the Southern States. I went to Louisiana in 1836. And Commenced teaching a Select School Composed of a few Planters families, and within three miles of Louisiana College. About two years afterward I got permission to open my School for all. It soon increased, so that in 1840 the number of pupils in my School exceeded those in the preparatory School of the College. The Trustees of the College requested me to take the superintendance of their School. I Consented, and entered on the duties of my office in Jan forty one, and shortly afterward Married the Daughter of John E. Phares Treasurer of the College, and President of the Rail R. Bank. This was a State Institution & independent of the College. I had three Teachers paid by the State to assist me.

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