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EARLY DAYS OF LIVERPOOL HOPE'S FOUNDING COLLEGES

INSTITUTION FOR THE EDUCATION OF CLERCYMENS' DAUGHTERS



The 18th century saw a rapid growth in elementary education supported by the Church, charities, landowners and benefactors, and some factory and mill owners. The late 18th and early 19th century also saw growth in Sunday schools, particularly in nonconformist denominations.

In this context, and to meet the growing need for qualified female teachers in Anglican and Catholic schools, a training school was established by the Anglican Church in 1844. Warrington Training College was the first of Liverpool Hope's founding colleges. In 1856, Father James Nugent invited the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur to establish a women's Catholic training college, with a practice school attached, at Mount Pleasant in Liverpool. Notre Dame College was the second of the founding colleges. The work of these institutions provide early examples of Liverpool Hope's commitment to widening participation in tertiary education.