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On October 16th, 1841, the Royal Charter incorporating Queen's University received the great seal, a provincial charter previously granted to the "University of Kingston" having been annulled, as the Royal Charter must take precedence of all others.

Though this university is non-denominational in all except the theological faculty, the genius of Queen's is essentially Scotch. Her system of government and her courses of study are in a general way modelled on those of the Scottish universities, and her strength is very much that of the Scottish character—lofty ideals, an innate love and reverence for true learning, perseverance, and frugality without penuriousness—these are the main elements which have contributed to the growth and success of Queen's. The following partial list of those Canadians who were concerned in the securing of the charter shows that from the very first the University has had the support of men of great intellectual and moral force: Hon. William Morris, Rev. Robert McGill, Rev. Alexander Gale, Rev. William Rintoul, Rev. John Machar, Rev. John Cook, Hon. John Hamilton and Hon. John A. Macdonald.

The faith of these men and of those who undertook the work of instruction must have been great, for the outlook was not very bright, and from the first the financial problem was a pressing one; neither at the outset nor at any time since has Queen's been the

recipient of many generous bequests from wealthy patrons. Careful financing and the self-sacrificing efforts of many devoted friends of limited means have enabled her to exist and to develop—to tide over the crises in her history, and to attain the assured position which she holds to-day. Though a large measure of the success is due to the ability and energy of the present Principal, it is but fair to remember his faithful predecessors, who laid the foundations and fought the early battles of the University.

The first Principal was Rev. Dr. Liddel. (1841-1846), and his successors were Rev. John Machar, D.D. (1846-1852); Rev. Dr. George, Vice-Principal (1852-1857); Rev. Jno. Cook, D.D., LL.D. (1857-1860); Rev. Wm. Leitch, D.D. (1860-1864); Rev. Wm. Snodgrass, D.D. (1864-1877); Rev. George Munro Grant, 1877. In 1877 Rev. Dr. Cook was elected Chancellor, and on the expiration of his term of office, in 1880, Sir Sandford Fleming was elected, and is now serving his seventh triennial term as Chancellor.

Classes opened in 1842 in a frame building on Princess street, with three students in attendance, and two professors. Two years later there were 21 students, and the classes were removed to two or three small stone houses on William street. In 1854 the present campus was purchased, and the classes, numbering 31 students, were removed to the buildings which were then upon it. About this time the Royal Med-