GENERAL STATEMENT.

HISTORICAL.—In the year 1861 an Act was passed by the Legislature of New Brunswick authorizing the Trustees of the "Mount Allison Wesleyan Academy," under certain specified conditions, to establish and put in operation at Sackville a degree-conferring institution under the name and style of "The Mount Allison Wesleyan College." In July, 1862, the required conditions having been duly fulfilled, a collegiate organization was effected and the work of instruction regularly entered on. Several students having been admitted to advanced standing on the basis of studies and examinations in connection with the higher classes of the Academy, the first College Class was graduated in 1863. By an amendment of the original charter in 1886, the corporate name of the institution was changed to "The University of Mount Allison College."

The office of President has been filled as follows; 1862–69, Rev. Humphrey Pickard, A. M., D. D.; 1869–78, David Allison, A. M., LL. D.; 1878–91, James R. Inch, A. M., LL. D.; 1891, David Allison, A. M., LL. D.

ORGANIZATION AND GOVERNMENT.—The Charter of 1861 conferred on the projected College full University powers as respects Courses of Study and Degrees in the various Arts and Faculties, and these powers are expressly continued to the institution under its present designation of "The University of Mount Allison College." Under this authority the University maintains complete and efficient Faculties in Arts and Theology, and confers all the Degrees appropriate thereto.

According to the provisions of the amended charter the ultimate ownership of the University is in the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada. The direct government is, however, vested in a Board of Regents and a Senate, and the aforesaid General Conference exercises a controlling influence on the affairs of the University solely through the power conferred on it by the Charter of appointing a large majority of the Regents.