Senate would be the natural accompaniment of their office; whereas here the share assigned to them in the work in which they are so specially qualified to advise, is too slight and intermittent to be of much practical avail.

The Act of 1853 refers to "the principles embodied in the charter of the University of London" as the model followed therein. In reality, Sir Francis Hincks, by whom the measure was mainly framed, was more familiar with the Queen's University of Ireland, from one of the colleges of which his brother was transferred to the new professorship of Natural History in University College. To the Irish model, accordingly, and not to that of London University, the abortive affiliation scheme was due, which to a large extent handed over the government of the institution, at a most critical period of its history, to the heads of rival denominational colleges. That University College survived the experiment may well be regarded as a marvel. It had no building provided for its accommodation. The Canadian Parliament had already, at that early date, cast covetous eyes on the site in the University Park, which the Local Legislature has now taken possesaion of; and the reorganized College began work in 1853 in the old Parliament buildings, which are about to be superseded by those in process of erection on the site of King's College. But the tenancy by University College of its new quarters was of brief duration: and when, at a later date the expenditure on permanent buildings was brought under review before a Committee of the Canadian Parliament, the representative of the College remarked: "In defence of the necessity of the building, I will only say that during seven years in which I have been a professor of University College, I have witnessed five removals. Since the Act of 1853 was passed we have been turned out of the old King's College building, and established in the Parliament buildings, on Front street. Parliament returning to Toronto, we were sent back to the old building; Government requiring that, we were thrust into a little brick edifice originally built for a medical school; and before we at length moved into our present buildings, we had been compelled to waste thousands of dollars on removals, fittings, and temporary makeshifts, as distasteful to us as they were wasteful and extravagant."