

the chapel and two wings on the proposed plans. When tenders were received it was found that the available funds would cover little more than the two wings, and of these only one was ultimately built. On the 23rd of April, 1842, the corner stone of the university building was laid with most imposing ceremonial by His Excellency Sir Charles Bagot, Governor-General of the United Canadas and Chancellor of the university. On the morning of that day being St. George's day the St. George's Society accompanied by the Sons of St. Andrew and of St. Patrick attended Divine service in the cathedral, where an appropriate sermon was preached by the Rev. Henry Scadding, M.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge. At one o'clock the procession formed on Queen street at the University Avenue gates. After an address to the Chancellor in Latin to which he replied in the same language, the procession marched up the avenue to the chosen site, that on which the Parliament Buildings now stand. Here in the presence of a large concourse of ladies and gentlemen, and of the military, civil and educational officers of the province, the stone was duly laid by His Excellency. Addresses were delivered, poems in Latin and Greek were recited, prayers offered, and the whole concluded with a salvo of artillery. At the banquet in the evening His Lordship the Bishop of Toronto, with deep emotion, declared that this was the happiest day of his life, one to which he had looked forward for forty years.

At the same time preparations were being made for the beginning of academic work. Professors of Classics, Belles Lettres, Divinity, Law, Mathematics, Chemistry and Anatomy were chosen, the names being the Rev. John McCaul, LL.D., the Rev. James Beaven, D.D., the Hon. W. H. Draper, Richard Potter, Esq., H. E. Croft, Esq., and W. C. Gwynne, M.B.

The formal opening took place on the 8th of June, 1843, when twenty-six students signed the roll. The names of those students are worthy of record as many of them afterwards won distinction in the province. They were Edmund Baldwin, Norman Bethune, C. K. Boulton, Henry J. Boulton, J. A. Cathcart, George Crookshank, W. G. Draper, Elliott Grasett, J. T. Hagerman, John Helliwell, W. P. Jarvis, H. B. Jessopp, E. C. Jones, W. H. Lyons, J. J. Macaulay, S. S. Macdonell, T. A. McLean, A. D. Maule, James Patton, John Roaf, Christopher Robinson, Alfred Sharpe, W. Larratt Smith, James Stanton, and Walter Stennett. In religion twenty-two were Church of England, one Roman Catholic, one Presbyterian, one Congregationalist, and one Baptist.

The chief feature of the occasion was the address of the Lord Bishop of Toronto, president of the university. The address which was published in full, together with the proceedings both at the laying of the