

The group being set well back from King Street, the original alignment was pretty much that of the north side of the present Pearl Street, which till recently ended at Simcoe Street. The Bursar's house was quite at the corner of Simcoe and Adelaide Streets, the Masters' gardens and stables extending thence along the latter street almost to Duncan Street. At the south-west corner of Duncan and Adelaide Streets can still be seen a portion of the old "Main" Boarding House, which was put up a few years after the other buildings, the "new" wing being added as late as 1871. To the west and south of the "Main" stretched the playground, straight down to King Street. All the rest of the ground facing King Street came to be very pleasing to the eye by reason of the lawns, shrubbery, and shade-trees, the chief glory of which was a magnificent elm. Of course, they had no Duncan Street cutting through from north to south, as it does to-day.

Readers of *The Kingston Chronicle* of Saturday, June 6th, 1829, found in their paper of that date the following advertisement, which had been preceded by four weeks by one regarding the Parliament Buildings: "MINOR COLLEGE. Sealed Tenders for erecting a School House at York, and four Dwelling Houses, will be received on the first Monday in June next.

"Plans, Elevations, and Specifications may be seen after 12th instant, on application to The Honourable George Markland, from whom further information will be received.

✍ "Editors throughout the Province are requested to insert this notice, until the first Monday in June, and forward their accounts for the same to the Office of the *Loyalist*, York.

"York, 1st May, 1829."

The *Annals* in Register I contain the following entry for the year 1840, after noting the publication of the first Register with an Appendix of Examination papers: "In the same year improvements were made in the grounds in front of the buildings, under the superintendence of Mr. Wedd.

"In 1841 the porch and exterior of the central building were improved according to the plans of Mr. J. G. Howard.

"In the same year (1842) the Boarding House was improved by the erection of a new porch, and by other changes.

"In the same year—April 23—the Principal and Masters entertained at a *déjeuner* in the College Hall the Chancellor of the University of King's College on the occasion of the laying of the foundation-stone of the University Buildings.* The pupils were at the same time entertained in the Hall at the expense of the College Council.

"In the same year the front of the grounds on King Street was improved, according to the plans of Mr. J. G. Howard,* by the erection of new gate-posts and gas-lamps."

*The buildings here referred to were never completed. For many years a solitary wing, inhabited only by a caretaker, if at all, stood on the site of the east wing of the present Parliament Buildings. The old Parliament Buildings already referred to were at first used for lectures, Toronto for the time being not ranking as the seat of Government.

*Mr. Howard presented High Park to the City. He is buried there.