

ROYAL CHARTER OF INCORPORATION OF "THE
CANADIAN INSTITUTE," GRANTED 4TH
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PROVINCE OF CANADA.—ELGIN AND KINCARDINE.

VICTORIA by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c. &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting.

Whereas William E. Logan, John O. Browne, Frederick F. Passmore, Kivas Tully, William Thomas, Thomas Ridout, Sandford Fleming, and others of our loving subjects in our Province of Canada, have formed themselves into a Society for the encouragement and general advancement of the Physical Sciences, the Arts and Manufactures, in this part of our Dominions; and more particularly for promoting the acquisition of those branches of Knowledge which are connected with the Professions of Surveying, Engineering, and Architecture: being the Arts of opening up the Wilderness and preparing the country for the pursuits of the Agriculturist, of adjusting with accuracy the boundaries of Properties, of improving and adorning our Cities and the habitations of our subjects, and otherwise smoothing the path of Civilization; and also being the Arts of directing the great sources of Power in Nature for the use and convenience of man, as the means of production and of traffic both for external and internal trade, and materially advancing the development of the Resources and of the Industrial Productions and Commerce of the Country; and have commenced the formation of a Museum for collections of Models and Drawings of Machines and Constructions, New Inventions and Improvements, Geological and Mineralogical Specimens, and whatever may be calculated, either as Natural Productions or Specimens of Art, to promote the purposes of Science and the general interests of society, and have subscribed and collected certain sums of money for these purposes.

And whereas, in order to secure the property of the said Society and to extend its useful operations and at the same time to give it a more permanent establishment among the Literary and Scientific Institutions of this part of our Dominions, we have been besought to grant to the said William E. Logan, John O. Browne, Frederick F. Passmore, Kivas Tully, William Thomas, Thomas Ridout, Sandford Fleming, and to