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## PREMIER OPENS PRINTING PLANT

SHOP AT QUEENSTON WAS THE  
BIRTH PLACE OF THE REBEL-  
LION OF 1837

Niagara Falls, Ont., June 18—(CP)  
—Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie  
King formally declared open today  
the restored printing plant in which  
William Lyon Mackenzie, his grand-  
father, the "Little Rebel," of a cen-  
tury ago, today hailed as a founder of  
responsible government in Canada,  
published the Colonial Advocate.

The Advocate plant at Queenston,  
a few miles from the Falls, has in it  
enshrined both the beginnings of the  
battle for a free press and responsi-  
ble government in Canada, for it was  
there Mackenzie wrote and published  
those things that aroused the senti-  
ment that culminated in the rebellion  
of 1837.

Mr. King, accompanied by Trans-  
port Minister C. D. Howe and Hon.  
Raoul Dandurand, Liberal leader in  
the senate, arrived here at noon.  
Cheers greeted the party at the sta-  
tion, the volume swelled by the voices  
of many Canadian and United States  
war veterans, gathered here for the  
unveiling of the Clifton Memorial  
Arch, to be performed by Mr. King,  
and for a reunion tonight in Niagara  
Falls, N.Y.

Many descendants of Mackenzie,  
Samuel Lount and other leaders in  
the struggle of 1837 and the years  
preceding it are here as guests of the  
Niagara Parks commission which re-  
stored the printing plant and erected  
the arch.

The Clifton arch, a massive stone  
structure, honors Mackenzie and  
those who helped him.

King, Rt. Hon. William Lyon Mackenzie (MG  
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