

month of February following the charter was passed by the Legislature. It was disallowed *pro forma*, and on the 16th October, 1841, a royal charter was obtained, in which, by special permission, Her Majesty's title was given to the University; and in the course of the winter of 1841-2 classes were opened. The committee, having decided on the day for the jubilee, resolved to invite the City Council, through the Mayor, to co-operate in the celebration and so make it a golden wedding. The City Council promptly agreed, and to the joint committee's labors the grand success is due.

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The daily press in Kingston, Toronto, Montreal and other places gave admirable reports of the various meetings held on the occasion, and in connection with the event generous tributes have been freely paid to Queen's and the work she is doing, by the weekly papers and the representative organs of education. But it is felt that the principal speeches should be given *verbatim*, and the JOURNAL has therefore decided to issue a special number, that there may be a full and accurate report in permanent form. It is intended to present every subscriber to the jubilee fund with a copy. The authorities are not unmindful of what is due to the Benefactors, those men and women who are continuing the work so nobly begun in 1839, doing it, too, in the same unselfish spirit that animated the founders. A full list of the jubilee fund subscribers is printed for the first time in this number of the JOURNAL. Each benefactor will see now who are his *confreres*.

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The commemoration was not confined to fitting words. Fit deeds were not altogether wanting. While the *Te Deum* was being sung in Convocation Hall, the first stone was turned on the campus on the site of the "John Carruthers Science Hall," a building carefully planned by Professor Dupuis, that will hand down to posterity the name of one of Queen's truest friends. Dr. Goodwin and his assistants will find room in it for the various classes in Theoretical, Practical and Medical Chemistry and Toxicology, as well as for Mineralogy and Assaying. It is proposed to reserve the upper storey for the Alma Mater Society and the University and Royal College Y. M. C. A. The partitioning and furnishing of the rooms will cost probably \$500. The students and their friends will have little difficulty in raising that amount within the next year. They are fairly crowded out of their present quarters, just as Professor Goodwin is out of his. Committees should be formed to attend to this without delay, and donations will be accepted from the wise and willing hearted.

While the contractors were beginning work on the Carruthers Hall, the sound of the hammer could be heard on the skating and curling rinks hard by. In connection with these will be also a gymnasium, bowling alley and tennis court, and in the lease given to the joint-stock company by the trustees it is stipulated that tickets for students of Queen's are to cost not more than half the usual rates. These new buildings will prove a splendid substitute for the old gymnasium.

A few days before the celebration, news came of the

founding of a scholarship in connection with the Theological department of the University, which has not yet been announced to the public. Hugh Waddell, Esq., South Monaghan, has founded a scholarship of \$120 a year, in memory of his mother, to be competed for annually by the Divinity students. As the primary purpose for which Queen's was established was to train a Canadian ministry, this came at the right time, as a fitting jubilee memorial.

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A word must be added in praise of our noble selves. The concert on Tuesday night was first-rate. The Meds dinner was all right so far as the boys were concerned, but the speeches from the old boys were too long and there were too many to each toast. One response is enough, if good; too much, if bad. The choir on Wednesday morning could not well have been better, and hearty thanks are due to the ladies who assisted. They took a low seat and were not asked "to come up higher," seeing that there was not an inch to spare on the platform. The arrangements for Convocation, so far as the students were concerned, were left by the Principal in the hands of the Alma Mater Society, and they were carried out to the admiration of all present. The interruptions from the gallery were always apt, and the way in which the Governor-General and Sir John in particular "caught on" showed that they appreciated them. Readiness, wit, fun, attic salt, the more of it the better; rowdiness, rudeness, mere noise, the less of it the better.

THE MEETING FIFTY YEARS AGO.

REPORT EXTRACTED FROM THE KINGSTON "CHRONICLE AND GAZETTE" OF DECEMBER 21, 1839.

On Wednesday evening last a meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church, Kingston, on the subject of the proposed college to be erected in this town in connection with the Synod of the Church of Scotland in Canada.

The Rev. John Machar was called to the chair and Mr. Roderick M. Rose acted as secretary.

The meeting, by the desire of the chairman, was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Gordon, of Gananoque.

After an explanation by the chairman of the objects of the meeting, the following resolutions were put severally by him and carried unanimously.

Moved by Major Logie, seconded by John A. Macdonald, Esq.,

Resolved, that this meeting deeply regret the limited means afforded the youth of this country of acquiring a liberal education, founded on religious principles, and more especially the total want of an institution for educating and preparing young men for the ministry in connection with the Church of Scotland.

Moved by Thomas Greer, Esq., and seconded by Rev. Mr. Gordon,

Resolved, that this meeting learn with great satisfaction the proposal by the Commission of Synod to erect a college in Kingston for the instruction of young men, with a view to the holy ministry in connection with the Church of Scotland, and the education of youth generally