

"I have to authorise you, on the receipt of this Despatch, to exchange such Crown Reserves as have not been made over to the Canada Company, for an equal portion of the lands set apart for the purpose of education and foundation of a University, as suggested in your Despatch of 19th December, 1825, and more fully detailed in Dr. Strachan's Report of the 10th March, 1826, and you will proceed to endow King's College with the said Crown Reserves with as little delay as possible," &c. &c.

(Signed)

BATHURST.

The Charter thus obtained was the most open that had ever been granted, or could have been granted at the time by the British Government, and the endowment conferred upon the University which it created was truly munificent, and amply sufficient to carry out the objects which George the Third had in view when he directed the appropriation of land to be made, viz. :—The instruction of the youth of the Province in sound learning and religion. Nor were these objects forgotten by King George the Fourth, for they are embodied in the preamble of the Charter which he granted—

"Whereas the establishment of a College within our Province of Upper Canada, in North America, for the education of youth in the principles of the Christian religion, and for their instruction in the various branches of science and literature which are taught in our Universities of this Kingdom, would greatly conduce to the welfare of the Province," &c.

On receiving the Charter, Sir Peregrine Maitland lost no time in forming the College Council, and securing the endowment by Patent; and, had he not been promoted to a