

INTRODUCTION.

By the Royal Charter granted in 1802, all the privileges of a University were conferred on King's College, which thus became the first University of British origin established in the Dominion.

A Provincial Act incorporating the Governors of King's College received the royal sanction in 1853. It provides that the Royal Charter of Incorporation shall not be affected by it further than is necessary to give effect to its own enactments.

The Patron of the University is the Archbishop of Canterbury, to whose approval "all Statutes, Rules and Ordinances" of the Board of Governors are subject, but King's College is open to students of all denominations, and imposes no religious test either on entrance or on graduation in any Faculty, with the exception of Divinity.

In 1871 a Curriculum was issued for a course of Civil Engineering, and the University has subsequently granted degrees and diplomas in that science, as well as in Arts, Law and Divinity.

During the past Academic Year valuable donations have been made to the Library by the Hon. Dr. Ross, Premier, Province of Quebec; by the Hon. Senator Almon, M.D.; by the Radical Bay Club; by the Halliburton Club; by the Geological Survey of Canada; by Dr. Hearn; by the Royal Society of London; by the Royal Society of Dublin; by the Royal Society of Canada; by the Dominion government; by the Institute of Civil Engineers of London, G. B.; by the American Institute of Mining Engineers; by the Chief Engineers of the U. S. Army; by the Commissioner of Mines (per C. Carman, Esq.) and others,—a detailed account of which will be found on page 46 of the Calendar.