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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 grandfather, the "Little Rebel," of a century 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 responsible government in Canada, for it was there Mackenzie wrote and published those things that aroused the sentiment that culminated in the rebellion of 1837.

Mr. King, accompanied by Transport Minister C. D. Howe and Hon. Raoul Dandurand, Liberal leader in the senate, arrived here at noon. Cheers greeted the party at the station, 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 restored 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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