

THE U. N. B. AND ITS HAPPY WARRIORS

This is the happy Warrior: this is He
That every man in arms should wish to be.

IN the year 1800, a date easily remembered, there was established at Fredericton in the newly formed province of New Brunswick an educational institution, with the privileges of a university, including the power to confer degrees, called the College of New Brunswick.

Quite a few of the loyalists, who by this time largely comprised the population, were graduates or undergraduates of Yale and Harvard. Knowing well the value of education, they made every possible effort that the inhabitants in the new settlements might at least have the opportunity to provide the ordinary "schooling" for their children, and that the means of attaining a higher education might be within reach. When the college was established it was welcomed heartily by those citizens, now practically deprived of access to the seats of learning in the New England States.

The College of New Brunswick did good, if comparatively limited, work. It does not appear that the attendance was large, or that degrees were conferred to any extent. Financial stringency was then, as even now with most colleges, a serious hindrance. The public grant, supplemented by the fees of students who, however capable and willing to study, were not in a position to draw money as from a tap, was insufficient. Millionaires who could be made doctors of law and literature, in return for pecuniary contributions, had not been invented.

So, some years passed away, and it became necessary to look about and see what could be done to keep the new institution on its feet. Poor old stupid George the Third