

### Historical Sketch.

Acadia College was founded by the Nova Scotia Baptist Education Society in 1838. In the following year application was made to the Nova Scotia House of Assembly for a Charter of Incorporation with the title: "The Trustees, Governors and Fellows of the Queen's College." An Act creating such a corporation with the powers of a University was passed in 1840. At the next meeting of the Legislature, this act was amended by changing the name to Acadia College.

In 1851 the power of appointing the Governors was transferred from the Education Society to the Baptist Convention of the Maritime Provinces. The developments of succeeding years made it necessary that various amendments to the original Charter should be obtained. In order to avoid confusion and bring the Act of Incorporation into more complete harmony with existing conditions, a general revision and consolidation of the different Acts relating to the College was postponed by the Board of Governors. The Report of the Committee of the Board having been adopted by the Governors was referred to the Convention. That body at its meeting in Yarmouth, in August, 1891, after suggesting some modifications, approved the report and instructed the Governors to apply to the Parliament of Nova Scotia for the necessary legislation. Accordingly a bill embodying the proposed alterations was passed by the two Houses at the Session of 1891, and received the signature of the Lieutenant-Governor on the 19th of May in the same year. A copy of the Revised Charter is appended.

Be it enacted by

1. The persons respectively and six additions designated the Board a body corporate University, with power to break, alter name may sue, capable and capable property whatsoever purchase and hold buildings, hereditaments or occupied Horton Collegiate other preparatory sciences of the president officers of said university, lands, buildings, buildings, hereditaments, eight hundred thousand notwithstanding; departments thereof and of any other any gifts, devises to assume and execute gifts or bequests; capable in law to hold all or any of the property said university securities or in support and also to do anything to such body.

2. All the privileges and immunities now held, enjoyed and fellows of Acadia or in their behalf, constituted, subject to all leases and contracts of Acadia the same had been