Sir John A. MacDonald

Sir John Alexander Macdonald was born on 11 January 1815 in Glasgow, Scotland. His family came to Canada from Scotland when he was only five years old. They settled in Kingston, Upper Canada.

He had a key role in shaping Canada's history



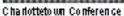




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Macdonald is often seen as the principal architect of Confederation, having drafted 50 of the 72 resolutions that established the framework for a united Canada.







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During his years as Prime Minister, Canada experienced rapid growth and prosperity.

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He also created the North-West Mounted Police, now the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

He died on 6 June 1891 in Ottawa, Ontario and buried in the Cataraqui Cemetery in Kingston, Ontario