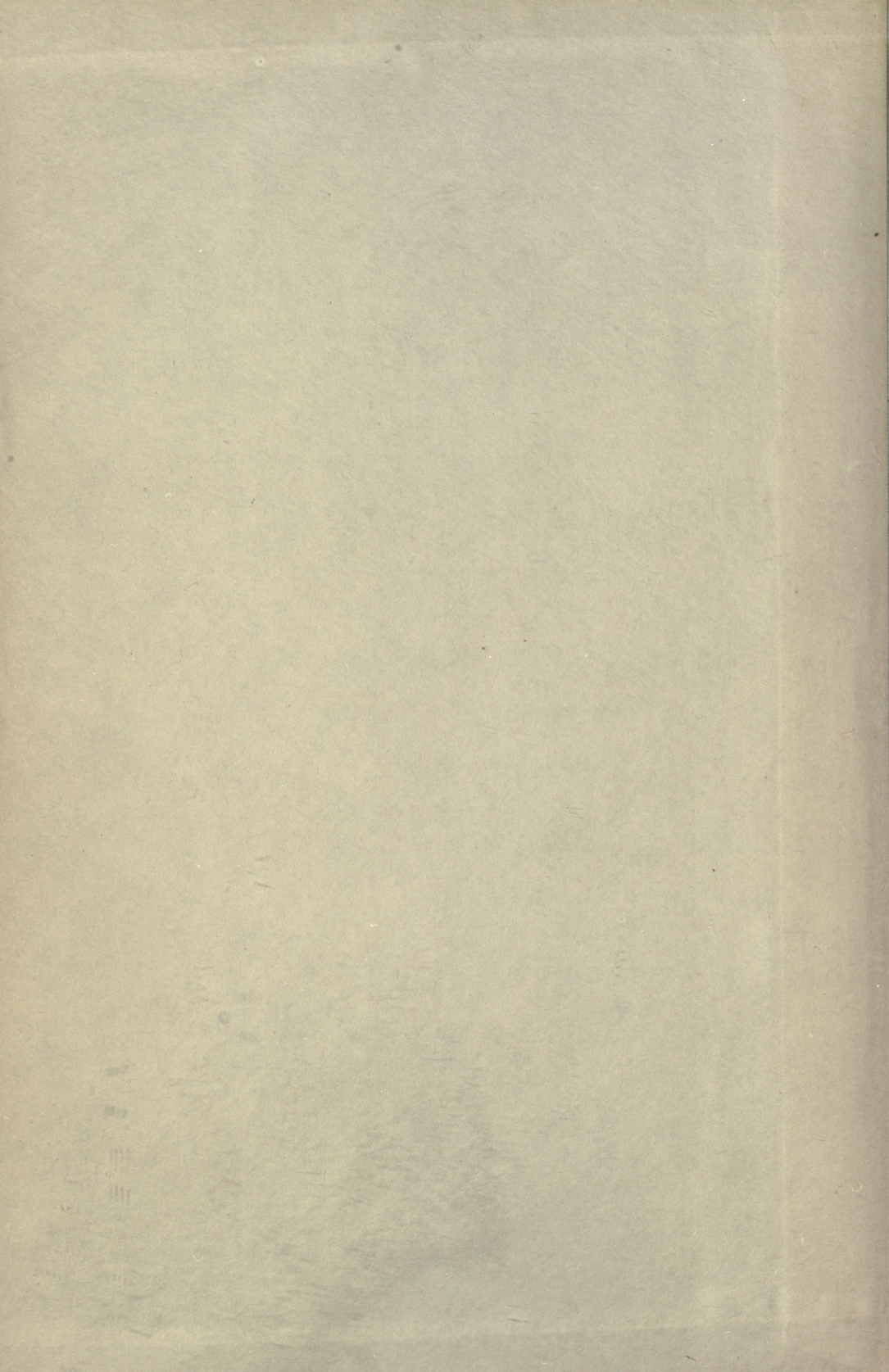


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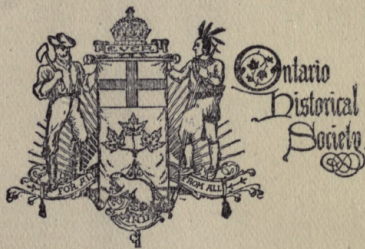
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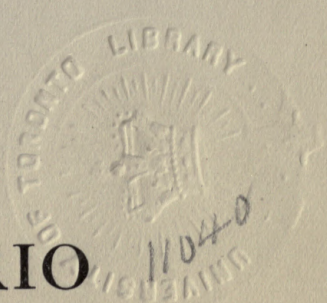
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It is due to members of the Society to state that the delay in the appearance of this report is mainly due to a lack of funds, consequent on the greater part of our available revenue having been expended in printing the last volume of Papers and Records.

Most of the reports supplied by local societies at the general meeting in Belleville, were similar in tone to those of former years, there being nothing of so much importance (considering the state of our funds) as to warrant printing these in full. An exception is made in favor of the report of the Women's Historical Society of Toronto.

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 WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF
OTTAWA.

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WOMEN'S CANADIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF TORONTO.

*Organized November 19th, 1895.**Incorporated February 14th, 1896.*

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<i>President</i>	- - -	Mrs. Forsyth Grant.
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<i>2nd Vice-President</i>	- -	" Edward Leigh.
<i>Treasurer</i>	- - -	Miss Evelyn Cox, 8 Wesley Place.
<i>Corresponding Secretary</i>	-	Miss FitzGibbon, 94 Willcocks St.
<i>Recording Secretary</i>	-	Miss E. Yates Farmer.
<i>Executive Committee</i>	-	{ Mrs. S. G. Wood. Miss Beard. " Mickle. Mrs. Henry Thompson. Mrs. J. A. Paterson. Miss Ellerby.

Mr. President,—The year 1900-1901 has been both a busy and successful one for the Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto. The date of its annual meeting being November 16th, said date having been chosen by the foundation members in honor of Colonel James FitzGibbon, whose birthday it was, the report submitted embraces a slightly different period from that of the other affiliated societies. By a change in our constitution, which was deemed advisable, the number of meetings held during the year has been reduced from nine to seven, the annual and open meeting included. At these meetings the following papers have been read: "The Settlement of the U. E. Loyalists," by Miss Josephine MacCallum. "On the History of St. James' Vestry," by Mrs. Forsyth Grant. This paper was also submitted at the meeting of the Royal Society in Ottawa in May, when, in the absence of the author, it was read by Lieut.-Colonel G. T. Denison, an honorary member. "On the History of the Street Names of York," by Mrs. J. A. Paterson. "The History of St. Andrew's Church, Toronto," by Miss Bessie MacMurchy. In pursuance of a suggestion made at the annual meeting, prompted by the action of the W. C. H. Society of Ottawa, a Question Drawer and Information Bureau have been established. Two subjects being decided upon,

the accompanying directions were printed and distributed to the members. Extracts from the information handed in have been read at several of the meetings. Questions asked have been replied to, and through the reports published in the daily papers have roused more than local interest, the most noticeable being that relative to the Patriotic Society formed in Upper Canada on December 13th, 1812, the objects of which were precisely those of the more recently formed society of the same name. In addition to these papers, an able address on the Hare-Spence system of proportional representation was given at the January meeting by Mr. Robert Tyson.

In common with all her subjects, we have mourned the loss of our Queen, the Queen with whose life and reign the history of Canada has been so intimately connected. The meeting in February was held as an In Memoriam, and the room suitably draped for the occasion. Portraits and relics loaned by the members were displayed and the programme arranged in keeping with them. The President read a paper entitled "The Greatest Queen in the World," by Marie Corelli, supplementing it with personal reminiscences from her own family records. Miss Hill spoke of Her late Majesty's reception of her and the six Canadian girls under her charge, Mrs. W. Cummings of the visit of the members of the National Council of the Women of Canada. An original poem, by Miss Miller, entitled "Victoria, January 22nd, 1901," was read by the Secretary.

At this meeting a project by which a permanent memorial to Her Majesty might be raised in Toronto was submitted by the Secretary, that the women of the city should be asked to contribute the sum of 10c each, to be expended on the erection of a Memorial Hall, in which patriotic gatherings, lectures, the Society's meetings, etc., might be held. With Miss Constance Boulton's assistance, the map of the city had been drawn in sections, and one with a printed circular pasted in collecting books. The members endorsed the undertaking, special meetings have been held, and about one-third of the city allotted to those members who kindly acted as collectors. Owing to the inclement weather of March and the early part of April, the work was much delayed. It is the intention to continue it until the city and its suburbs have been canvassed. The sum collected already amounts to upwards of \$1,300, and is deposited to the Society's credit for the Memorial Hall Fund in the Bank of Commerce. The names of the collectors and all contributors have, by the courtesy of the *Toronto Daily Star*, been printed in its columns. In April I was able to submit a proposition to undertake the issue of the *Toronto Daily Star* for May 23rd, 1901, the proceeds, after the expenses had been deducted, to be devoted to the Memorial Hall Fund. A special meeting

was called and a small committee appointed to make the necessary arrangements. The committee—Mrs. Forsyth Grant, Mrs. E. B. Osler, Mrs. J. A. Paterson, Miss Curzon and the Secretary—were able to report satisfactorily, and a larger committee was secured, with the Secretary as Editor-in-Chief; Mrs. J. A. Paterson, Convener of the Advertisement or Business Committee; Miss Evelyn Cox as Treasurer; Miss Mowat and Lady Edgar, Lady Taylor, President of the National Council of the Women of Canada; Mrs. Geo. Kerr, President Toronto Local Council; Mrs. Dignam, President Women's Art Association; Mrs. Gzowski, President Home for Incurable Children; Mrs. Nordheimer, President Daughters of the Empire; Mrs. G. W. Ross, wife of the Hon. the Premier of Ontario; Lady Thompson and Mrs. Arthurs kindly permitted the use of their names as lady patrons of the enterprise. Our committee was also aided by Lady Aberdeen's kind interest and augmented by representatives from the Daughters of the Empire. Although the number of workers was small, the result justified the undertaking, as we have been able to add to the amount in the Bank. We are indebted to the editor and proprietor of the *Star* for their generous financial arrangements; to the staff for their kindly aid, and to the Sheppard Publishing Company for the free use of office quarters for the five weeks the work covered.

The Society has been unable to print any of their papers except through the medium of the public press and the columns of the *Memorial Star*. "The Recollections of Mary Warren Baldwin," by Miss Katherine Lefroy, has been published by the Ontario Historical Society, and 200 copies furnished us for distribution.

Through the medium of the National Council of Women, with which our Society is affiliated, the Secretary was given the opportunity of addressing a large and representative meeting in London, Ont., on May 18th. At this a resolution was passed to take steps towards considering a federation of Historical Societies throughout the Dominion, and the Secretary of our Society named to correspond with such Societies to that end and report.

The immediate result of the meeting in London has been the formation of the London and Middlesex Historical Society, London, Ont.

The Society has had to mourn the loss by death of several of its most interested and valuable members. The chief of these being the late Mrs. James Strachan, who was the oldest of its members, and one of the first to sign her name as among its founders. Fourteen new members have been added to the regular members, and two corresponding members.

Several donations of papers, and photographs of historic interest, a

lithograph of Hopner Meyers, portrait of the late Sir John Beverley Robinson, Chief Justice of Upper Canada, from Miss Donaldson ; a large sized engraving by George Haytor, of Her late Majesty taking the coronation oath, and an engraved portrait of Col. De Salaberry, from Mrs. Chamberlin, have been received.

The Society has also purchased from the artist, Edmund Morris, A.R.C.A., a sepia drawing of the Old Fort, Toronto.

EXCHANGES RECEIVED.

Reports and publications from the Historical Society of Manitoba, the Niagara Historical Society, the Women's Canadian Historical Society of Ottawa, the Canadian Club, New York ; the New York State Historical Society, and others.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MARY AGNES FITZGIBBON, *Hon. Sec.*

LAURA SECORD.

Read at the unveiling of the monument, June 22nd, 1901. (See page 54.)

Too late, too late the bards have struck the lyre
 To her, within whose breast the patriot flame
 Beat high that morn in June—a noble dame.
 Long leagues her devious way she wound through mire,
 And lonely woods, to warn of dangers dire,
 And gained, although unsought, enduring fame ;
 Who knows not Laura Secord's honored name ?
 To save her country was her heart's desire.
 A woman, wife, and mother, tender, true,
 We meet to place above her dust to-day
 This wreath of laurel, ever to abide
 Through all this century's lingering years, long done,
 We consecrate with happy tears, nay, nay,
 We consecrate, we consecrate with pride.

JANET CARNOCHAN.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ONTARIO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

HAMILTON, June 6th, 1900.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society began this morning in the City Council Chambers, the attendance of delegates being fairly large. Mr. J. H. Coyne, B.A., St. Thomas, President, was in the chair; Mayor Teetzel formally welcomed the delegates to the city, and he referred pleasantly to his long acquaintance with the President. President Coyne expressed the Society's thanks for the greeting, and said that the Mayor was the first articulated clerk in his office in St. Thomas, when he began the practice of law.

The Secretary read the minutes of the last annual meeting, which on motion were adopted, also his annual report.

During the year three new societies had been affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society, and there were one thousand two hundred members of the affiliated societies. The Ontario Historical Society had one hundred and sixty-nine members. There was a large quantity of valuable manuscript in its possession, but owing to lack of funds this matter could not be published.

Mr. James made explanation regarding The Plains of Abraham. The attention of the Society was directed to the paper prepared by Mr. A. G. Doughty, of Quebec, published by the Royal Society of Canada, in which Mr. Doughty adduces proof that the old race-course was not the site of the Battle of the Plains of Abraham, but that the greater portion of the site is still in the hands of the Federal Government.

Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Toronto, reported for the Laura Secord Monument Committee. She regretted not having met with better success. There had been four hundred and fifty-one dollars and seventy-one cents subscribed, of which the Historical Societies had given one hundred and sixty two dollars and seventy cents, only half of them subscribing. The subscriptions included fifty-eight dollars and eighty-one cents from one cent collections taken in public schools. Mrs. Thompson wanted the Society to decide as to whether or not the monument should be erected with the money on hand, instead of waiting for the thousand dollars at first calculated on. It was agreed that the matter should be considered in committee this afternoon and a report presented to the Convention to-morrow morning.

Moved by Mrs. Calder, seconded by Mr. Yeigh, that the Monument Committee meet this afternoon at half-past three and prepare a report to be presented to the Society on Thursday morning. Carried.

Mrs. Fessenden, of this city, read the report of the Flag and Commemoration Committee. In response to the questions as to whether the Canadian flag should have on its field the maple leaf or the Dominion Coat of Arms, Mrs. Fessenden had received replies from many school teachers, the majority favoring the maple leaf. She regretted that the flag was not more in evidence in this country.

Moved by Mrs. Fessenden, seconded by Mr. J. Adams, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Mr. Barlow Cumberland referred to the work of Mrs. Fessenden, making special reference to the inauguration of Empire Day, in which Canada has afforded an example to Britain and her colonies.

Canon Bland, of Hamilton, in a short, appropriate speech, stated that the Muskoka Lakes Association had flown a flag made up of the green maple leaf on a white ground.

Moved by Mr. Cumberland, seconded by Mr. Adams, that the Government of Canada be requested to have the maple leaf, which is the recognized emblem of Canada, placed upon the Dominion Ensign instead of the Coat of Arms, as at present shown. Carried.

Mr. Hunter's notice of motion to amend the Constitution was then considered, remarks being made upon it by Miss FitzGibbon, Mr. James Mr. Hunter and others.

Mr. Adams, of Sarnia, pointed out that the effect of the change where small societies are concerned would be prejudicial, and moved that the word "thirty" be substituted for "fifty" in the first clause. This was seconded by Miss Carnochan and carried on the understanding that the change should not take effect till next year. The second clause was allowed to stand over for consideration the following day.

Rev. Dr. Blackstock moved, seconded by Mr. A. F. Hunter, that the President name a committee of five to nominate officers for the year.

Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden, of Hamilton, read an interesting paper on the Brant flag, and as an object lesson in patriotism she displayed the old torn banner.

At twelve o'clock the members adjourned to Dundurn Castle, whither they were conveyed from the City Hall by street cars. Here luncheon was provided for the delegates and others to the number of one hundred, by Mr. Fearman, President of the Wentworth Historical Society. After the meal, a vote of thanks was passed to the Wentworth Historical Society, for the excellent arrangements they had made, and to Mr.

Fearman for his hospitality in providing luncheon. In reply to these, a splendid speech was delivered by Adam Brown, Esq.

After luncheon the delegates were conveyed by special electric cars to the old Gage Homestead on the Stoney Creek battlefield. They were entertained by the Wentworth Women's Historical Society. Mrs. Calder, President of the Society, welcomed the guests to the grounds.

Miss Nisbet read a paper, "The Romance of a Wentworth Pioneer," which contained a number of biographical and genealogical facts. A poem, "Raise the Flag," by Edward G. Nelson, of St. John, New Brunswick, was read by Mr. Frank Yeigh.

Miss FitzGibbon explained the events in connection with the Battle of Stoney Creek (the day being an anniversary), pointing out the positions of the contending forces. Remarks were then made by Mrs. Calder.

A resolution was moved by Mr. Adams, of Sarnia, seconded by Mr. Doel, that the Canadians were to be congratulated upon the Relief of Pretoria. Mr. Coyne explained that Captain Roberts, who took Mackinaw in 1812, was the uncle of Field Marshal Roberts. Remarks were made by Miss FitzGibbon and Mr. Pattullo. Papers were read by Mrs. Munro, "Our Indian Allies;" and Mr. J. H. Thompson, "How our History was Written," it being an account of the business affairs of the Jubilee history of Thorold Town and Township.

Moved by Mr. Joshua Adams, seconded by Mr. Doel, and

Resolved, "That the Ontario Historical Society and the several other Societies affiliated therewith and represented at this meeting, convened on the historic ground of the Battle of Stoney Creek in 1813, desire to express our thankfulness and gratitude to God for the great success of the British arms under General Lord Roberts, in the results of their operations in South Africa. And we are especially proud of the foremost part our brave Canadian soldiers have taken in conjunction with the contingents from the Australian and other colonies of the British Empire." Carried with cheers.

Refreshments were served, and the ladies were formally thanked by President Coyne and Mr. Barlow Cumberland, Toronto.

The meeting then adjourned till the evening, to meet at eight o'clock, in the City Hall.

EVENING SESSION.

CITY HALL.

President Coyne opened the meeting by reading his annual address. He regretted that the Government was unable to grant the Society's request for an increased grant. Complimentary reference was made to Dr. George Hodgins' address to Canadian Historical Societies, on "School Room Decoration in Ontario," and the following resolution was passed, on motion of Rev. Canon Bull, Niagara Falls South, seconded by Rev. Dr. Blackstock :

"That the Ontario Historical Society desires highly to commend the recent address by Dr. J. Geo. Hodgins, Toronto, to Canadian Historical Societies, on 'School Room Decoration in Ontario—Historical and Patriotic.' This Society trusts that as the address has been widely circulated among Historical Societies and Public School Boards, it will receive the prompt consideration of each one of those influential bodies, which the subject demands. The Society begs to extend its best thanks to Dr. Hodgins for a copy of his able address, and requests the Secretary especially to intimate the same to him."

A resolution complimentary to Colonel Cruikshank, Fort Erie, the well-known historian, was passed on motion of Canon Bull, seconded by Miss Carnochan, Niagara, as follows :

"That the Ontario Historical Society desires to recognize the merits of Colonel Cruikshank, Fort Erie, and to esteem him very highly for his long service and labor of love in the study and cultivation of Canadian historical literature. This Society desires to emphasize the great credit that is due to Colonel Cruikshank, especially for his latest work, entitled 'Documentary History,' which very shortly will reach Volume IV., in all, comprising about one thousand two hundred pages."

Addresses were given by Messrs. Kirkwood, Martin, of the Hamilton Canadian Club, and J. H. Long.

Mr. A. B. McKenzie, Toronto, and Mrs. Rose Holden, this city, moved a resolution to the effect that the owners of the Hotel Brant should be requested to fix a tablet near the front entrance to the hotel to mark the one-time residence of Chief Joseph Brant. The resolution was left over for consideration at to-morrow morning's session.

Mr. Cumberland thought that matters of this kind should reach the Ontario Historical Society, as a matter of principle, through the local society.

Mr. Pattullo supported the Secretary's suggestion that the motion should come before the Ontario Historical Society through the Monument Committee, as well as after emanating from the local society.

HAMILTON, June 7th.

The Monuments and Tablets Committee reported through Mrs. Thompson, recommending that the monument to Laura Secord be erected with the funds on hand, about five hundred dollars, instead of trying to get the one thousand dollars at first calculated on. The committee also recommended that the City of Hamilton be requested to erect the proposed tablet at the Hotel Brant, Mrs. Calder to have charge of the negotiations on behalf of the Ontario Society. The following motion was then moved by Mr. Cumberland, seconded by Mr. Pattullo,

“That the proposition respecting the Brant Memorial be referred to the Halton Historical Society, with the request that they make due enquiry and verify the historical accuracy of the statements, and ascertain the wording and design of the tablet proposed to be erected, and report the results to the Ontario Historical Society.” Carried.

Moved by Miss Carnochan, seconded by the Secretary,

“That the reports of Mrs. Thompson, as convener of the Monuments and Tablets Committee, and Mrs. Fessenden, as convener of the Flag Committee, be sent to the daily papers of Toronto, with the request that they be printed.”

Moved by Wm. Rennie, seconded by W. H. Doel, J.P.,

“That a committee be appointed to procure a monument to the memory of Governor Simcoe, and erect the same on a suitable site at the earliest convenience, with full power to complete all arrangements.”

SIMCOE MONUMENT COMMITTEE.

John Ross Robertson, M.P., Chairman.

David Boyle, Secretary.

Frank Yeigh, Treasurer.

James L. Hughes, Public School Inspector.

D. B. Read, Q.C.

A. McLean Howard, President United Empire Loyalist Society.

Mrs. Forsyth Grant, President Women's Historical Society.

Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Secretary Women's Historical Society.

Rev. C. E. Thomson, President York Pioneers Historical Society.

Rev. W. W. Colpitts, Secretary York Pioneers Historical Society.

Captain Jessop.

B. E. Walker.

With the mover and seconder. Carried.

Mr. Rennie presented the following statement :

Estimated cost of statue - - - - -	\$5,000 00
Estimated cost of pedestal - - - - -	1,000 00
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Total - - - - -	\$6,000 00
Funds available—Government grant - -	\$3,000 00
Funds available—Toronto Council grant	1,000 00
Ontario Historical Society grant - - -	150 00
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Total - - - - -	\$4,150 00
Balance required - - - - -	1,850 00

He also suggested that an appeal be made through the Minister of Education to every school child in Ontario, for the contribution of one cent each, which might bring in about \$2,000.

The Treasurer's report was read by C. C. James, Mr. Yeigh having returned to Toronto.

The Nominating Committee presented the following report of the names of the officers for the current year :

James H. Coyne, B.A., St. Thomas, President.
 C. C. James, M.A., Toronto, 1st Vice-President.
 Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden, Hamilton, 2nd Vice-President.
 Frank Yeigh, Toronto, Treasurer.

Council.—G. R. Pattullo, A. F. Hunter, Miss FitzGibbon, J. J. Murphy, and Wm. Rennie.

Monuments and Tablets Committee.—Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mrs. John Calder, Miss Kenny, B.A., W. H. Doel, J. J. Murphy, Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Miss G. Rolph, Miss Carnochan, Chief Nelles Monture, Miss E. Y. Farmer, James Wilson.

Flag and Commemoration Committee.—Mrs. C. Fessenden, Miss FitzGibbon, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Holden, C. R. McCullough, Barlow Cumberland, Spencer Howell.

Archives and Publication Committee.—G. R. Pattullo, Judge Ermatinger, Wm. Houston, A. F. Hunter, J. H. Thompson, Miss Carnochan, Miss Sara A. Mickle, Mrs. Holden, and Chief Nelles Monture.

Moved by Mr. A. F. Hunter, seconded by Rev. Dr. Blackstock, and
Resolved, "That the Society, on this occasion of its first meeting after the withdrawal of the Hon. G. W. Ross, LL.D., from the position

of Minister of Education to become Premier of the Province, desires to place on record its appreciation of his services in the capacity of Honorary President, a position that on invitation he consented to fill, and that he occupied with satisfaction to the Society. We, therefore, desire to tender our cordial thanks for these services, he having taken part on different occasions in the exercises, and having otherwise aided and promoted the work of the Society, and that the Secretary transmit a copy of this to the Hon. G. W. Ross."

Reports from several affiliated societies were then presented.

Judge Robb, of Simcoe, read a paper written by Dr. James J. Wadsworth, Public School Inspector of Simcoe, on "The Winter Sojourn of Galinee and Dollier de Casson on Black Creek, Port Dover, in 1669-70." Miss FitzGibbon read an interesting paper written by Miss Lefroy, from recollections of Mary Warren Baldwin (afterwards Mrs. John Breckenridge), entitled "Glimpses of Lives of some Early Settlers." Mrs. Fessenden read a well-written paper on "A Morning with Historians in Boston." Miss Carnochan read portions of a paper on "Ancient Tombstones." Mr. J. G. Weldon, extended an invitation to the Ontario Historical Society to hold its next annual meeting in Lindsay.

A resolution was passed on motion of Messrs. A. B. McKenzie and A. F. Hunter, expressing the gratification of the Society that its secretary, Mr. David Boyle, had been invited to read a paper at the meeting of the British Association in Bradford, England, next September.

Moved by G. R. Pattullo, seconded by A. F. Hunter, and

Resolved, "That the Ontario Historical Society in closing their annual meeting of 1900, desire to gratefully acknowledge the kindness of the Mayor and City Council of Hamilton for having placed at the disposal of the Society, for holding our several sessions, the handsome Council Chamber of the city, the cordial welcome extended by the Mayor, by Mr. Fearman and the Wentworth Historical Society for their generous entertainment at Dundurn Park; Mrs. Calder and the Wentworth Women's Historical Society for the delightful excursion to the Stoney Creek Battle Park; to the city press, for its full reports of our proceedings; and to the citizens generally for the generous hospitality extended to this Society individually and collectively."

The meeting adjourned at 12.30 p.m., the choice of the next place for holding the annual meeting being left to the decision of the Council.

J. H. COYNE, *President*.

DAVID BOYLE, *Secretary*.

The Council met immediately after the adjournment of the general meeting, the President in the chair, when the following committees were appointed :

Finance.—The President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Publications and Resolutions.—Messrs. C. C. James, A. F. Hunter, and the Secretary.

Monuments.—Messrs. Wm. Rennie, A. F. Hunter, J. J. Murphy, Judge Robb and Mrs. Calder.

Museum.—Miss FitzGibbon, Miss Carnochan, Mrs. Rose Holden, and Mr. G. R. Pattullo.

Membership.—Mr. C. C. James, Mr. F. Yeigh, Rev. C. E. Thomson, the President and the Secretary. Meeting adjourned.

JAMES H. COYNE, *President.*

DAVID BOYLE, *Secretary.*

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT.

TORONTO, June 12th, 1900.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day, Mr. James L. Hughes, occupied the chair.

The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Hebert, Paris, offering to do the work.

It was resolved that Messrs. Robertson, Rennie, Doel, and Colpitts be appointed a committee to bring the present fund of \$4,150, up to \$5,000.

A committee, consisting of Captain Jessop, Miss FitzGibbon, Rev. C. E. Thomson, W. H. Doel, and Wm. Rennie, was appointed to confer with the provincial and city authorities respecting a site for the Simcoe statue.

TORONTO, June 16th, 1900.

The Council met here to-day, Mr. C. C. James in the chair. New members elected were as follows :

Messrs. Dilworth M. Silver, Buffalo; George Wilkie, Toronto; M. O. Scott, Ottawa; Howard L. Osgood, Rochester, N.Y.; J. J. Wadsworth, Simcoe; Alexander Pattullo Westervelt, Toronto, Rev. Nathaniel Burwash, D.D., Newton Wright Rowell, Toronto; W. H. Murch, St. Thomas, and Wm. McLennan, Montreal.

On motion, the Norfolk Historical Society's application for affiliation with the Ontario Historical Society, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 108, 62 V.

The Editorial Committee of last year was re-appointed, viz.: the President, 1st Vice-President, Secretary, and Mr. A. F. Hunter.

It was resolved to place the Laura Secord Monument Fund in the Bank of Commerce, Spadina Avenue, to the credit of the Treasurer, and Mrs. Thompson receive the thanks of the Council for her services.

It was resolved that the Council consider the propriety of requiring an annual payment of one dollar from members of the Ontario Historical Society.

The Editorial Committee was instructed to go on at once with Volume III.

TORONTO, June 26th, 1900.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day, Mr. James L. Hughes in the chair.

The Sub-Committee having had an interview with the Premier of Ontario, stated that a suitable site may be had near the Parliament Buildings.

The Mayor and Board of Control also granted the privilege of erecting the statue to Governor Simcoe in front of the new City Hall.

TORONTO, October 10th, 1900.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day, J. Ross Robertson, M.P., in the chair, who expressed his desire not to act any longer as chairman of this committee.

It was resolved that the Secretary request all Canadian sculptors to tender for the erection of a bronze statue of Governor Simcoe.

INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION GROUNDS.

TORONTO, August 30th, 1900.

A meeting of the Ontario Historical Society was held here to-day, the President, Mr. James H. Coyne in the chair, and Mr. C. C. James acting as Secretary.

Among those present were Messrs. D. B. Read, Rev. Dr. Blackstock, Wm. Rennie, A. Willson, W. H. Doel, Rev. M. Hunt, S. Parker, Wm. McLean, Captain Jessop, from the York Pioneers.

From Niagara, Miss Carnochan.

- " Halton, Dr. Robertson and J. Warren.
- " Wentworth, Mrs. C. Fessenden.
- " Elgin, J. H. Coyne.
- " Thorold, Rev. P. L. Spencer.
- " Peel, E. Morphy and Eli Crawford.

Miss Ellerby, Miss Baird, Mrs. (Dr.) G. E. Kennedy, Mrs. Wyatt, Thos. Conant, Dr. G. E. Kennedy, Miss Georgianna Rolph, Dr. Hamilton, F. Yeigh, and T. Southworth were also present, besides others.

Mr. Conant, of Oshawa, gave a short address on the circumstances connected with the taking of York in 1813.

The President gave an account of the visit paid by members of the Norfolk and Elgin Historical Societies, to investigate the site of Galinee's wintering-place, near Port Dover, in 1669-70.

Mr. R. H. Browne, Archivist of the Ontario Crown Lands Department, read part of an elaborate paper on "The History of Land Tenure in Canada," his study having been particularly directed to Upper and Lower Canada, based upon his researches among the archives of the Crown Lands Department of the Province.

It was resolved that Mr. Browne's paper be printed in full.

Miss Carnochan gave a short account of her investigations among the old burial plots of the Niagara Peninsula.

Mr. James mentioned some interesting particulars respecting what are known as the Jesuit Pear Trees in Essex County.

Mrs. Fessenden read a letter from Mr. G. H. Hale, of Orillia, respecting the desirability of increased postal facilities between Great Britain and the Colonies, for the purpose of encouraging the circulation of British rather than of United States newspapers and magazine literature.

On motion, the consideration of this subject was referred to the Council.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, November 10th, 1900.

The Council met here to-day. Communication was received from Mr. Hale, of Orillia, advocating reduced postage on British magazines and newspapers, with a view to encouraging their circulation in preference to that of United States publications.

The Secretary was instructed by resolution to write to the Postmaster-General, expressing the desire of the Council in accordance with the terms of Mr. Hale's letter.

The distribution of the Society's publications to delegates of local societies was referred for consideration to the Membership Committee.

It was resolved to accept the offer of the Clipping Bureau, for supply of clippings on historical matters, at \$15 per annum, for one year.

Arrangements were made for the preparation of an inscription for the Laura Secord Monument, and the Chairman of the Monument Committee was instructed to ascertain whether the money collected by the U. E. Loyalist Association would be available for the monument.

It was resolved to accept the invitation of the Mayor of Belleville to hold the next annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society in that city.

The President reported that he had received the resignation of the Secretary. Matter was referred to a committee for consideration.

On motion, it was resolved to refer the recommendation respecting annual fees of one dollar from each member of the Society, to the Council's Committee on Membership for full consideration and to report at a meeting in January.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, December 8th, 1900.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day, Mr. J. Ross Robertson in the chair.

The secretary was instructed to write to all the sculptors in Europe, whom Mr. Robertson had interviewed, and to all the Canadian sculptors, asking them to send sketch models of the proposed statue.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, January 11th, 1901.

The Council met here to-day, the President in the chair.

In addition to the Council, Mrs. J. H. Thompson and Mr. John Ross Robertson were present, in connection with the Secord and Simcoe monuments respectively.

The Secretary read a reply from the Postmaster-General, concerning postage on British magazines, and respecting place names in Ontario. He also read a letter from the U. E. Loyalist Association, containing resolutions of that body with respect to the Laura Secord monument.

The Postmaster-General pointed out the difficulty with the arrangement of postal rates, and the U. E. Loyalist Association expressed its intention not to hand the money over to the Society's funds for the Laura Secord monument.

The President read correspondence between G. D. Emerson and himself, respecting the placing of monuments to mark historic spots along the Niagara frontier and elsewhere, in conjunction with the plan for similar monuments on the United States side of the river.

A resolution was passed affiliating the Prince Edward County Historical Society, in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 108, 62 Vict. The Constitution and By-laws of the Prince Edward County Society were read and approved of.

The President introduced Mr. John Ross Robertson, who explained his reason for wishing to resign the chairmanship of the Simcoe Monument Committee. The Council regretted Mr. John Ross Robertson's decision,

thanking him very cordially for his services in connection with the monument when he was in Europe, and expressed a unanimous desire that he would withdraw his resignation.

A final draft of the inscription for the Laura Secord monument was decided upon by resolution.

On motion, it was resolved that the secretary write to Mr. Rathbun, of Deseronto, thanking him for his offer to provide steamboat accommodation for the purpose of enabling members of the Society to visit historic points along the Bay of Quinte during the time of the annual meeting.

It was resolved that the Council approve most cordially the efforts made by Dr. J. G. Hodgins, Historiographer and Librarian of the Education Department, towards providing schools with pictures of historic persons and places.

The continuation of this Society's correspondence with the Royal Society of Canada was referred to the Membership Committee.

A motion to ask the Postmaster-General for free postage of the Society's mail matter to any place in Canada was referred to the Finance Committee.

It was resolved to print two hundred extra copies of Miss Lefroy's paper, and two hundred copies of Mr. Osborne's paper, as these appear in the printed volume of "Papers and Records."

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, April 1st, 1901.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day. The Rev. C. E. Thomson was elected chairman in place of Mr. J. Ross Robertson, who resigned.

Arrangements were made respecting the payment of freight charges on the sketch models of the Simcoe statue.

The secretary stated that he expected all the models to be on hand during the present month.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, April 12th, 1901.

The Council met to-day. Mrs. J. H. Thompson and Mrs. C. Fessenden were also present. The former in connection with the Laura Secord monument, and the latter in connection with the Flag Committee.

The treasurer was instructed to advance to the Simcoe Monument Committee \$50 on account of the subscription of the Society towards the monument.

The secretary was instructed to write for a complete set of the Royal Society's Transactions.

Judge Ardagh was requested to act as delegate of the Ontario Historical Society at the annual meeting of the Royal Society of Canada.

A resolution was passed reaffirming the protest of this Society respecting the proposed Montgomery memorial at Quebec, a copy of the protest to be sent to Dr. Borden.

A resolution of condolence was passed relating to the recent death of the Society's first treasurer, Mr. B. E. Charlton, of Hamilton, a copy of which was to be sent to his widow.

It was resolved that conveners of Standing Committees be made members of the Executive and entitled to vote at Council meetings.

It was also resolved that a fee of one dollar be hereafter imposed on all members of the Ontario Historical Society, payable on the first of June of each year, the first fee under this resolution being due on June 1st, 1901, and covering the Society's year from June 1st, 1901, to June 1st, 1902; that all who have joined the Society and paid their fee since January 1st, 1901, be considered as having paid until June 1st, 1902; that it is understood that all the present members shall be entitled to the Galinee volume when issued, and that a circular notice to this effect be sent forthwith to members.

A motion was carried respecting the desirability of the maple leaf being substituted for the Dominion Coat of Arms on the Canadian flag.

A sub-committee was appointed to consider the question of the secretaryship, and report at the annual meeting in June.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, May 10th, 1901.

Simcoe Monument Committee met to-day at 4 p.m. Present: Rev. C. E. Thomson, chairman; D. B. Read, K.C., A. McLean Howard, Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Frank Yeigh, and the Secretary.

The meeting was called to make a selection for the Simcoe statue from the sketch models by W. Birnie Rhind, D. W. Stevenson, and W. Grant Stevenson, all of Edinburgh, Scotland; Albert Toft, of London, England; Philippe Hebert, of Paris; W. Allward, J. L. Banks, and Thomas Mowbray, of Toronto.

No decision was arrived at, and on motion of Miss FitzGibbon, seconded by D. B. Read, it was resolved that another meeting of the committee be held on Tuesday, the 14th inst., at 4 p.m., and that two representatives of the Provincial Government, and two representatives of the City Council be invited to assist in judging the models.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, TORONTO, May 14th, 1901.

The final meeting to decide on the selection of a model for the Simcoe statue was held here to-day at 4 p.m. by the Simcoe Monument Committee. Present, the Chairman, Rev. C. E. Thomson, Mrs. Forsyth

Grant, and Messrs. D. B. Read, B. E. Walker, Rev. W. W. Colpitts, W. H. Doel, Alderman McMurrich, Frank Yeigh, James L. Hughes and the Secretary.

The sketch models in plaster were from the studios of W. G. Stevenson, D. W. Stevenson and W. B. Rhind, Edinburgh; Albert Toft, London, England; J. L. Banks, W. Allward, and Thomas Mowbray, Toronto; and Philippe Hebert, Paris, France.

It having been decided to simplify the choice by eliminating the figures which in the opinion of the committee were least desirable, the number of models was reduced to three, and on a ballot being taken the vote stood eight to one in favor of the work of Mr. Walter Allward, Toronto.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Colpitts, seconded by W. H. Doel, the choice was made unanimous.

Mr. B. E. Walker, seconded by Alderman McMurrich, who represented the city Council by invitation of the committee, moved that the Toronto Guild of Civic Art be asked to supervise the execution of the statue, with instructions not to decide upon having the statue cast without obtaining the approval of the Premier and of the Ontario Historical Society's (that is, this) committee. Carried.

It was also resolved on motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Alderman McMurrich, that Mr. Allward be requested to prepare a sketch and supply an estimate of what he considers a suitable pedestal or base for his statue, and that the chairman, Mr. D. B. Read, and the Secretary be a committee to prepare a circular for public distribution, and stating what steps have already been taken to bring the project to its present condition.

The meeting then adjourned, subject to the call of the Secretary.

ANNUAL MEETING.

OFFICERS' QUARTERS, DRILL SHED,
BELLEVILLE, June 5th, 1901.

The annual meeting of the Ontario Historical Society was held here to-day, beginning at 2.30 p.m.

The President, Mr. James H. Coyne, occupied the chair, and there were present, Mrs. Ponton, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Miss Sara Mickle, Miss Janet Carnochan, Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Mrs. E. R. Manning, Mrs. Pope, Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden, Colonel H. C. Rogers, A. F. Hunter, Judge Merrill, Judge Dean, Colonel Ponton, Thomas Conant, J. D. Collins, Dr. James Dunlop, R.N., Belfast, Ireland, E. H. D. Hall, C. C. James, J. S. Barker, Prof. Adam Shortt, Geo. R. Pattullo, Rev. Canon Bull, M.A., Arthur McGinnis, and the Secretary.

The meeting having been called to order, the Secretary read a portion of the minutes, when, on motion, an adjournment was made that the members of the Society might visit the Deaf and Dumb Institution, to which they were conveyed in carriages by the committee of the Belleville and Bay of Quinte Historical Society. Mr. Mathison, the Principal, welcomed the visitors, who were afterwards conducted through the various rooms and shown the excellent methods of instruction.

On returning to the city, business was resumed in the same room, when the reading of the minutes was concluded, and general business taken up after the holding of a Council meeting in an adjoining room.

The Secretary read the Treasurer's annual statement, which was approved and received.

Mrs. Ponton extended an invitation to the Society to spend the following day on the steamer *Armenia* during a cruise on the Bay of Quinte, the steamer having been placed at the disposal of the Society by the Messrs. Rathbun, of Deseronto.

The invitation was accepted by the President, on the part of all the members.

Mrs. J. H. Thompson read the third annual report of the Monuments and Tablets Committee which, on motion of Mr. Geo. R. Pattullo, seconded by the Rev. Canon Bull, was received.

Mrs. J. H. Thompson moved, seconded by the Rev. Canon Bull, "That section 4 of the Constitution be amended by inserting in the second line after the word *Treasurer*, the words, 'the chairmen of standing committees of the Society.'"

Mr. Pattullo moved, seconded by Miss Carnochan, that the motion be referred to the Committee on Resolutions, viz., the President, Secretary, Mr. James, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Conant, and Mrs. Ponton. Carried.

A communication was read from Miss Minnie L. Johnson, inviting the members of the Society to make use of the reading room in connection with Bridge Street Church, during their stay in the city.

The invitation was received with thanks.

In addition to the present officers, the following were appointed as a Nominating Committee: Miss S. Mickle, Miss Carnochan, Mr. Pattullo, Colonel Ponton, Colonel Rogers, Canon Bull, Thomas Conant, A. F. Hunter, and Judge Dean.

Moved by Mr. C. C. James, seconded by Mr. A. F. Hunter, that when the Society adjourns, it does so to meet again at the City Hall this evening at eight o'clock, and that when the Society adjourns this evening it adjourns to meet at the call of the President on the steamer *Armenia* to-morrow. Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

The evening meeting was held in the City Hall at 8 o'clock, the room being filled with an attentive audience. The President occupied the chair, and with him on the platform were Mayor Graham, the Rev. Canon Bull, and Prof. Adam Shortt, of Queen's University, Kingston.

In a few well chosen remarks the Mayor welcomed the Society to Belleville. The President replied, after which he proceeded to read his annual address.

Mr. Woolf gave a solo, which was encored.

Mrs. J. H. Thompson spoke briefly on behalf of the Laura Secord monument, to be unveiled on June 22nd.

Miss FitzGibbon gave a brief and interesting address on the proposed Queen Victoria memorial, which was well received.

Mr. J. N. Doyle sang an excellent solo.

Prof. Shortt was then called on to read his paper on the Establishment of Responsible Government in Canada, which he did to the satisfaction of nearly every one present, although he necessarily enunciated views not wholly in consonance with those of some of his hearers. The paper was a masterly as well as a scholarly one.

Unfortunately the hour was now too late for the paper of the veteran local historian, Mr. T. W. Casey, of Napanee, but printed copies of it were distributed among those present, the subject being First Missionaries and Earliest Quakers of the Bay of Quinte District.

The meeting closed at 11 p.m., with the singing of the National Anthem.

STEAMER "ARMENIA."

BAY OF QUINTE, June 6th, 1901.

A meeting was organized on board the steamer at 8.45 a.m., when the President called on the local societies' delegates to read their reports, with the following results :

Belleville and Bay of Quinte, by Mr. J. Frith Jeffers.

Prince Edward County, by Mr. John S. Barker.

Peterborough Town and County, by Col. H. C. Rogers.

Victoria County, by Judge Dean.

Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto, by Miss M. A. Fitz-Gibbon.

Niagara, by Miss Janet Carnochan.

Lundy's Lane, by Rev. Canon Bull.

Wentworth Women's Canadian Historical Society, by Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden.

Oxford County, by Mr. Geo. R. Pattullo.

Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute, by Mr. James H. Coyne, President.

The reports of the local societies not represented by delegates, and of this Society were, on motion, taken as if read.

Mrs. Holden moved, seconded by the Rev. Canon Bull,

That, whereas it has pleased God to remove from our midst a late honorary member, and the first President of this Society, the Rev. Henry Scadding, D.D., we, therefore, at this our first meeting after his death, desire to place on record our profound appreciation of his long literary and patriotic services.

We also desire to bear testimony to the active part he took in the organization of this Society in 1888, and in the successful organization of many other historic bodies and projects ;

And that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to his family.
Carried.

As the steamer was now close to Glen Island, where it was arranged to have luncheon, the meeting adjourned at 12.20, to meet again on the steamer.

On landing, the members and their friends, numbering about seventy, were served with an excellent meal provided for them by the Belleville and Bay of Quinte Historical Society. The Rev. Canon Bull said grace, and before separating from the room all joined in singing "God Save the King."

On returning to the steamer the meeting was resumed.

The Secretary presented a verbal report relative to the Simcoe monument, and on motion of Mrs. Holden, seconded by Mr. A. F. Hunter, the report was adopted, and the Simcoe Monument Committee re-appointed with the same powers as when first appointed.

The following are the names of the committee, with the exception of Mr. J. Ross Robertson, who withdrew :

The Society's Secretary, Frank Yeigh, B. E. Walker, Jas. L. Hughes, D. B. Read, A. McLean Howard, Mrs. Forsyth Grant, Miss M. A. Fitz-Gibbon, Rev. C. E. Thomson, Rev. W. W. Colpitts, Capt. Jessop, Wm. Rennie, senior, W. H. Doel.

Moved by Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. Hunter,

That the Society recognizes with pleasure the movements inaugurated by affiliated societies for the erection of memorials and of movements commemorative of Her late Majesty, Queen Victoria, as well as of historic events, including the following statues and other works: The Talbot Settlement Memorial Monument; to be erected by Elgin Historical and Scientific Institute. The Queen Victoria Memorial Hall at Toronto, by the Women's Canadian Historical Society of Toronto, and the Queen Victoria Monument at Hamilton, by the Women's Wentworth Historical Society, and we desire heartily to commend them and other similar monuments to the generous support of the public. Carried.

On motion of G. R. Pattullo, seconded by Col. Rogers, it was resolved that the thanks of this Society be tendered to Mrs. Thompson, the energetic Chairman of the Monuments and Tablets Committee, and to her colleagues, for their valuable services in connection with the Laura Secord monument, and that the committee be re-appointed to carry the work on to completion, with instructions to do the best possible to raise the requisite funds.

The Nominating Committee presented the following as the names of those for election as officers for the ensuing year :

Jas. H. Coyne, President.

C. C. James, 1st Vice-President.

G. R. Pattullo, 2nd Vice-President.

Frank Yeigh, Treasurer.

Mr. Coyne expressed a strong desire to be relieved from the presidency, but on the urgent representations of Mr. C. C. James, Rev. Canon Bull, Mr. A. F. Hunter, Mr. Pattullo and the Secretary, he consented to accept the position for another year.

By unanimous vote the officers named were then declared elected.

For the Council, the following were the nominations, some names having been added to the committee's list: Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mr. A. McLean Howard, Mr. Barlow Cumberland and the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. James, Messrs. J. J. Murphy and A. F. Hunter were elected auditors.

Mr. James moved, seconded by Mr. Pattullo,

That the members of the Ontario Historical Society hereby express to Mr. David Boyle, the Secretary of the Society, their sincere appreciation of the invaluable services rendered by him on behalf of the Society during the past three years. Carried.

Moved by Rev. Canon Bull, seconded by Mr. A. F. Hunter, that the Ontario Historical Society, in closing its annual meeting of 1901, desires to acknowledge gratefully the cordial invitation extended by the Mayor, and of the City Council for having placed at the disposal of the Society for holding its annual meeting, the handsome City Hall.

Second.—To thank the Belleville and Bay of Quinte Historical Society for the invitation to meet in the City of Belleville, and for their generous entertainment by excursion through the Bay of Quinte.

Third.—The officers of the 47th Regiment for the use of the officers' quarters in the armory for the purposes of the Society's sessions.

Fourth.—Mr. Robert Mathison and staff of the Ontario Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, for their entertainment of the Society and the interesting exercises by the pupils under their charge.

Fifth.—Mr. E. W. Rathbun for generously placing at the Society's disposal the steamer *Armenia*, enabling the Society to enjoy the very pleasant excursion on the historic waters of the Bay of Quinte.

Sixth.—The city press for its full reports of our proceedings, and

Seventh.—Mrs. Ponton, Mr. A. McGinnis, and the citizens generally, for the generous hospitality extended to the members of this Society, individually and collectively. Carried.

Judge Dean extended an invitation to the Society to hold its next annual meeting in the town of Lindsay, and Col. Rogers spoke in favor of the meeting being held in Peterborough.

On motion it was resolved to leave the choice of place to the Council.

This brought the annual meeting to a close, just a short time before the steamer reached Belleville. Before parting, the members and their friends gave three cheers for Mayor Graham and the City Council; for Mrs. Ponton and the Belleville Society; for Mr. Rathbun and the Captain of the *Armenia*, and closed by singing the National Anthem.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, June 29th, 1901.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met here to-day, Rev. C. E. Thomson in the chair.

The main purpose of the meeting being to place the position of the Committee before the Council, the following report was moved by Mr. B. E. Walker, seconded by Mr. David Boyle, as embodying the views of the Committee, and to be presented to the Council at its meeting to-day :

The Simcoe Monument Committee beg to report to the Ontario Historical Society as follows :

1. That nine models were submitted to the Committee, and that from these, the model submitted by Walter S. Allward was approved.

2. That your Committee have instructed Mr. Allward to proceed with the work under the supervision of the Ontario Historical Society, and the Toronto Guild of Civic Art.

3. That the sums voted by the Ontario Government and the City of Toronto amount to \$4,000, and that as this sum is the price of the statue, there is no money in the control of your Committee to pay for the pedestal, or for other expenses.

4. That inasmuch as \$1,500 must therefore be raised by private subscription, your Committee now ask for instructions as to how to proceed.

The motion to present this report was carried, and the meeting was adjourned.

June 29th, 1901.

The Council met to-day. The following sub-committees were appointed for the current year :

Finance Committee : The President, the Secretary and the Treasurer.

Publications and Resolutions Committee : C. C. James, Esq., M.A., the Secretary David Boyle, and Rev. C. E. Thomson, M.A.

Monument Committee : Rev. C. E. Thomson, Mr. J. H. Thompson, Miss Janet Carnochan, Mr. Fearman and Judge Robb.

Museum Committee : Geo. R. Pattullo, Mrs. M. E. Rose Holden, A. McLean Howard.

Membership Committee : Messrs. C. C. James, M.A., F. Yeigh, David Boyle, Toronto ; Dr. Robertson, Milton ; and Mr. J. H. Thompson, of Thorold.

It was decided by resolution to consider the Secretary's resignation and the appointment of a successor at a meeting of Council to be held in September or October, at the call of the President.

The President handed in an application for the position from Mr. A. F. Hunter, of Barrie.

It was decided to hold a general meeting in the Industrial Fair Grounds during the Fair week.

Mrs. Thompson presented a verbal report respecting the inscription on the Laura Secord monument.

The Secretary reported on the Simcoe monument, with special reference to payment that should be made to the sculptor, after which it was resolved:

1. That this Society and the Committee incur no liability to the Toronto Guild of Civic Art for supervision of the work.

2. That no sum be paid to Mr. Allward, the sculptor, at any time beyond the cash actually in hand, and to the credit of the Simcoe Monument Fund.

3. That no moneys be payable until the model is completed to the satisfaction of the Committee, when \$1,000 will be payable, and that a further sum of \$2,000 be paid when the bronze statue is completed to the satisfaction of the Committee, and delivered in Toronto, and that the remaining \$1,000 be paid when the monument is unveiled.

4. That the Committee be instructed to have a written contract with Mr. Allward drawn up, subject to the above conditions and provisoes, and such other provisoes as they may deem expedient.

It was further resolved that the Treasurer of the Society apply to the Treasurer of the City of Toronto for payment of the amount voted by the City Council for the Simcoe monument, and that cheques on the fund be signed by the President and Treasurer of the Society as required, on the written order of the Chairman and Secretary of the Simcoe Monument Committee.

Also, that the expenses of returning the models received for the competition be paid out of moneys belonging to the Monument Fund.

Moved by the Secretary, seconded by Rev. C. E. Thomson,

“That the appeal of the Simcoe Monument Committee for subscriptions in aid of the fund, is heartily commended to local historical societies, our members, and the public generally.” Carried.

The following new members were elected:

Mrs. Edna Caldwell, Belleville.

Col. H. C. Rogers, Peterboro’.

Ed. Harry Douglas Hall, Peterboro’.

Dr. Dunlop, Field Naturalists’ Club, Belfast, Ireland.

Eslie Carter, B.A., Lucan.

The meeting then adjourned.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, July 18th, 1901.

The Simcoe Monument Committee met to-day, Rev. C. E. Thomson in the chair.

A meeting was called to complete arrangements with Mr. Allward, sculptor of the Simcoe monument, by having a legal form of contract between him and the committee properly signed and witnessed.

By resolution, terms were arranged for payment to Mr. Allward as the work proceeded.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, August 12th, 1901.

Simcoe Monument Committee met to-day, Rev. C. E. Thomson in the chair. Mr. A. M. Chadwick, who kindly consented to prepare a form of agreement, was present, with Mr. W. S. Allward, sculptor.

The terms having been read clause by clause, and in some cases modified, the Chairman and the Secretary were, on motion of Mr. A. McLean Howard, seconded by the Secretary, appointed to meet on the 12th at 3 o'clock, in the office of Mr. Chadwick, and there to sign the corrected form as representatives of the Ontario Historical Society.

INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION GROUNDS,

TORONTO, August 30th, 1901.

A general meeting of the Ontario Historical Society was held here to-day, beginning at 11.30 a.m., when C. C. James, Esq., M.A., Deputy Minister of Agriculture, 1st Vice-President, took the chair. Besides him there were present: Miss Carnochan, Mrs. Terrill, Mrs. C. E. Thomson, Miss Louise Teefy, Miss M. A. FitzGibbon, Miss Ellerby, and Messrs. Alfred Willson, J. J. Murphy, Geo. R. Pattullo, J. P. Hart, Col. Rogers, D. B. Read, K.C., Mr. Griffin, sen., the Rev. C. E. Thomson, Thos. Conant, Esq. (of Oshawa), and the Secretary; also Rev. Dr. Teefy and Mr. M. Teefy, sen. (of Richmond Hill).

After some introductory remarks by the Chairman, who explained that the President was now in Europe, he called on Mrs. J. H. Thompson to make a verbal report on the Laura Secord monument.

Mrs. Thompson reported that the monument had been unveiled by Mrs. G. W. Ross (wife of the Premier of Ontario), but that the inscription had been cut in a bungling manner; that the work of cutting would have to be done again, and that a small sum of money was still necessary to pay off all liabilities.

On motion of Mr. Pattullo, seconded by Col. Rogers, it was resolved "That the thanks of the Ontario Historical Society be presented to Mrs. J. H. Thompson for the successful efforts she has put forth towards

organizing and completing the scheme for erecting a monument to the memory of Laura Secord."

Moved by Mr. Alfred Willson, seconded by Mr. J. P. Hart,

"That Mrs. Thompson be authorized to make a final appeal by circular to the affiliated societies for aid to complete the Secord monument."

The Rev. C. E. Thomson (President of the York Pioneers) and the Secretary made verbal reports respecting the Simcoe statue.

Mr. G. R. Pattullo, seconded by Mr. J. J. Murphy, moved

"That resolutions of condolence be prepared by the Council, respecting the deaths of the Hon. G. W. Allan, Dr. Jonathan Robinson, Mr. Alex. Kirkwood, and Mr. J. S. Barker."

The meeting then adjourned until 2.30 p.m.

After luncheon, the meeting was resumed at 2.30 p.m., Mr. G. R. Pattullo, 2nd Vice-President, in the chair.

Miss Carnochan read an extremely valuable and well-written paper on "Count de Puisay, a Lost Page in Canadian History."

Following her, Miss Louise Teefy, of Richmond Hill, read an interesting document she had prepared, entitled "Notes on Yonge Street."

Both papers were very highly commended by several members, and on motion of Mr. Thomas Conant, seconded by Mr. D. B. Read, votes of thanks were tendered to the ladies.

The Secretary informed the meeting that he had received a letter from Mr. John Ross Robertson, proprietor of the *Evening Telegram*, offering to publish both papers in the *Telegram*, and afterwards to make use of them in his projected "Landmarks of Canada."

It was thought that a decision on this should be left to the Council, and that meanwhile Mr. Robertson be thanked for his kind offer.

The meeting then adjourned.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, November 8th, 1901.

The Council met to-day, the President in the chair.

A committee, consisting of C. C. James, F. Yeigh, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, and the Secretary, was appointed to consider the propriety of holding a winter meeting.

On motion it was resolved "That the historical portion of the President's address delivered at Belleville, June 1901, be omitted from the annual report of the Society, and be transferred to the Editorial Committee, with instructions to print the same in the next miscellaneous collection of papers and records; that the annual report be printed forthwith, and that it contain a *resumé* of the transactions of the Society for the preceding two years.

It was arranged that letters of condolence to friends of recently deceased members be prepared as follows: To the relatives of the late Hon. G. W. Allan, by the Rev. C. E. Thomson; of the late J. S. Barker, by Mr. C. C. James; of the late Mr. Alex. Kirkwood, by Mr. President Coyne; and of the late Dr. J. Robinson, by the Secretary.

The President informed the meeting that his translation of the Galinee volume with the French text will be placed in the hands of the printer forthwith, the notes and the appendices to be afterwards issued separately.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, December 19th, 1901.

The Council met to-day, Mr. C. C. James in the chair.

On motion the Bruce County Historical Society, organized on the 16th of September, 1901, under the Presidency of Lieut.-Colonel A. E. Belcher, and having as Secretary Mr. Norman Robertson, was affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society.

Mr. Andrew Bell, of Almonte, was elected a member.

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT, December 19th, 1901.

Winter Meeting Committee met to-day, when it was resolved to hold a meeting during the Easter week, if arrangements can be made for holding one jointly with the Historical Section of the Ontario Educational Association.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

BELLEVILLE, June 5th, 1901.

This is the first meeting of the Ontario Historical Society, under its present or its original name, held east of Toronto. We are assembled in the pleasant capital of a flourishing district, far-famed for beauty of situation, and abounding in resources, agricultural, mineral, and industrial. The mention of the Bay of Quinte, moreover, calls up historic associations. Pioneer explorers, missionaries, and warriors of France sweep across the stage in their picturesque seventeenth and eighteenth century garb. We see unfolding the great drama of the old *régime*, with its rivalries and jealousies, its heroic devotion and its sordid meanness; its plot and counterplot. Governor and Intendant, soldier and trader, licensed wood-ranger and lawless *coureur de bois*, noble and priest, Jesuit and Recollet and Sulpician, play their part and quit the scene, and weirdly mingle with the dim figures of Champlain and Frontenac, of Trouve and Fenelon and Hennepin, of La Salle and Tonti and Joliet, of Montcalm and Vaudreuil and Pouchot, and savages in their uncouth war dance holding high the tomahawk and scalping knife. There are the fur-laden fleets of birch canoes gliding down the bay to Fort Frontenac, or furtively making the traverse to Oswego, if by happy chance they can escape the watchful eye of the French commandant and garrison. Ships of war are in the offing. Here at the mast-head flies the *fleur-de-lis*, yonder the red cross flag. The old enmity has been transplanted from across the sea, and the old fight is fought over again on your lake, whose shores re-echo strangely to the roar of artillery. Ships and forts surrender—the older flag is struck, and the Red Cross flag floats alone over the St. Lawrence valley.

Nearly a generation passes and now new actors appear on the scene. Heroic figures, struggling against adversity, beaten but unconquered, sacrificing all, daring all, the Loyalists enter the Bay.

“They who loved the cause
That had been lost, and kept their faith
To England's crown, and scorned an alien name,
Passed into exile, leaving all behind,
Except their honor, and the conscious pride
Of duty done to country and to king.”

Instead of the mailed soldier with sword and pike, we see the settler with his axe hewing a home for himself out of the unbroken wilderness. The circuit-rider appears with half a continent for his parish. Parson

and priest, minister and elder, jostle each other, sometimes not without intention, each striving like the black robes of old to make the world purer and better. British law and language, institutions and religion spread over the land. The forests disappear, and with them the fur-trader and the canoe. A free, self-governing nation arises from the ashes of the old *régime*. From the heroic men and women of the Loyalist immigration the inhabitants of the Bay of Quinte district are sprung. It is a heritage to be proud of.

We meet in the pleasant month of June. The poet asks :

“What so rare as a day in June?
Then if ever come perfect days.”

But even a rare June day is enhanced by special surroundings so agreeable, associations so interesting, and a hospitality so hearty as those which have drawn us hither from the ends of Ontario to-day. Momentous events have occurred since last we met. The lamented death of Her Majesty Queen Victoria followed quickly upon the close of a century, which will be forever associated with her name. Never was there mourning so universal, for no human being was ever so universally known and loved.

King Edward the Seventh has ascended the throne of his ancestors. In words emotional with sincerity, His Majesty has pledged himself to walk in the great Queen's footsteps as a constitutional sovereign. It is a remarkable evidence of the stability of English institutions that in this year of the King's accession is to be commemorated the thousandth anniversary of the death of his royal predecessor and ancestor, King Alfred the Great. Between them lies an almost unbroken line of sovereigns of Alfred's blood. I am sure that our historical societies will with one heart and voice wish the new king long life, health and prosperity, and a happy and glorious reign over a contented and united empire.

The inauguration, in this opening year of the century, of the Commonwealth of Australia under a constitution which shows a blending of those of the Dominion of Canada and the United States of America, is an event of transcendent importance in the history of the British empire.

The Society has progressed during the year. One new Society, the Tecumseh Historical Society of Kent, has been formed at Chatham, and affiliated with the central organization. It is the twentieth so affiliated. The regular membership has been steadily increasing. Besides the annual report, a third Volume of Papers and Records has been issued.

Interesting and valuable as are its contents, they are but samples of a vast mass of important historical material which remains at our disposal ready for the printer. The publication, simultaneously by this Society and by the publishers of the *Jesuit Relations*, of the supposed Marquette portrait, in the authenticity of which there appears to be good ground for believing, is an event worthy of special note, no portrait of the discoverer of the Mississippi having been known to exist, until the accidental finding of the one in question in the hands of a Montreal street arab, by Mr. D. G. McNab, of Toronto.

Contracts have been given out for the monuments to Laura Secord and Lieut.-Governor Simcoe. The former, it is hoped, will be unveiled at Lundy's Lane during the present month. The opening year of the century will thus be forever associated with these marks of honor rendered by posterity to the man who laid the foundations of British institutions in Upper Canada, and the woman whose heroism helped to save it to the Empire. The demonstration of the solidarity of the race afforded by the receptions tendered to the King's eldest son in his voyage round the world will still further emphasize the significance of the first year of the twentieth century.

Those who attended the Hamilton meeting a year ago will remember the interesting paper of Dr. Wadsworth, secretary of the Norfolk Historical Society, which was read by Judge Robb. His Society claimed to have discovered the precise location of the abode of the Sulpicians, Dollier de Casson and Galinée, with their seven French soldiers, during the winter of 1669-70. It lies a short distance from Port Dover, close to Black Creek, a little way easterly from its junction with the River Lynn or Paterson's Creek. The courtesy of the local society enabled your President to examine the site in question during the month of August. A rivulet beginning not far from the lake shore flows northward and inland through a ravine to join Black Creek. Close to the little stream, and about 100 yards from its mouth, there is, at the bottom of the ravine, a tiny plateau, upon which appears a clearly defined artificial elevation of earth, presenting the outline of two small rectangles meeting diagonally, with a trench, evidently intended as a protection against rain and melted snow descending the slopes. A depression in the low embankment on the side of the rivulet, and only a few feet therefrom, indicates the position of a door. The pleasant and sheltered situation, the rivulet, the area of the embankment, the distance from the lake shore, were compared with the details given in the Galinée narrative and map. The facts that the original forest filled the ravine from the earliest settlement until twenty or thirty years ago, and that the remains in

question were well known to the first pioneers, to whom the place was known as Frenchmen's Hollow, carrying the date of the structure back to a period long ante-dating the Long Point settlement. The remains correspond in all particulars with the description given by Galinée, and there is no record or tradition that suggests any other origin. The positive and negative evidence therefore agree in establishing the accuracy of the conclusion of the Norfolk Historical Society, as to the site of the first dwelling-place of white men on Lake Erie, at once a residence, a fort, a warehouse, and a chapel. It is interesting to know that the Norfolk Society proposes to erect on the site a monument with a suitable inscription. It was on the lake shore hard by, that formal possession was taken of the territory of Lake Erie, and the land surrounding it, in the name of King Louis XIV., in March, 1670, by the priest mentioned.

This Council has heartily co-operated in the movement to secure the Plains of Abraham to the nation. It is gratifying to be able to announce that Parliament has voted the required sum, so that the spot may remain forever sacred to the memories of Wolfe and Montcalm, and the brave men of two nations, who fought and fell with their commanders in the actions that decided the fate of North America.

In consequence of the movement to erect a monument to General Montgomery at Quebec, the Council renewed the protest forwarded to the Premier of Canada some years ago, when the proposition was first mooted. It is satisfactory to learn from the Premier's public statement, that no such monument will be erected on Government land, and that all that is proposed is a simple tablet to mark the place where Montgomery fell. It is greatly to be desired that there should be erected at Quebec a memorial to the brave French-Canadians who so heroically and successfully defended their city from the invaders on that last December day of 1775. If Canada is one of the brightest jewels in King Edward's crown, we should never forget that, not once or twice, it was saved to the Empire by the loyalty and bravery of our French-Canadian fellow-subjects.

The Society has suffered in its membership. Mr. B. E. Charlton, of Hamilton, our former treasurer, passed away in March, after a prolonged illness. An enthusiastic student of Canadian history, he was always a prominent member of the Wentworth Historical Society. He contributed to local societies interesting papers on the early history and archæology of the Burlington Bay region. A good man and true, he will be long missed by many friends, not only at Hamilton, but throughout Ontario, who esteemed and loved him for his many noble qualities of head and heart.

Four weeks ago, full of years and honors, the author of "Toronto of Old" passed away tranquilly and painlessly. Dr. Scadding was the first President of the York Pioneers, and afterward the first President of the Pioneer and Historical Association of the Province of Ontario. Retiring from the active charge of the latter Society, he was elected its Honorary President, an office he retained until the organization was changed, to be known thereafter as "The Ontario Historical Society. Under its new constitution the Minister of Education is *ex-officio* Honorary President. By a unanimous vote of the Council, and as one of its first acts, the Reverend Henry Scadding was elected our first honorary member. Until increasing infirmities prevented him, he was a regular attendant at the Society's meetings. In any public gathering he was always a striking figure. His venerable and scholarly appearance was accompanied by a courtesy and gentleness of manner which assured him the affectionate esteem and reverence of all who beheld him. It may be truly said of him that he had "that which should accompany old age, as honor, love, obedience, troops of friends." One of the first King's scholars at the old Royal Grammar School at York, the first head boy of Upper Canada College, and afterwards its classical master, he was the living link that connected the present generation with names prominent in Canadian public life in the early part of the last century.

Through his papers on the early history of Toronto, afterwards combined into valuable books, he was the first to enlist the interest of Upper Canadians in Canadian history. Among other reproductions of important documents, he reprinted the journal of Governor Simcoe's tour of observation to Detroit, and Smyth's "Gazetteer of Upper Canada," thus rendering additional valuable service to the community. As far as Ontario is concerned, he may well be called the father of Canadian history. It is strange to know that, although 105 years have elapsed since Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Simcoe left Upper Canada forever, our late honorary member not only was educated at St. John's College, Cambridge, by her kindly generosity, but spent some of his vacations as her guest at Walford in Devon, and continued to pay her occasional visits until her death, less than half a century ago. A pioneer and the historian of the pioneers, Henry Scadding's name is worthy of special remembrance and regard.

It is with great regret that I announce the resignation of our valued Secretary, Mr. David Boyle. His duties as provincial archæologist have a first claim upon his time, and he has found it impossible, with satisfaction to himself, to perform the work of both offices. The secretaryship of this Society is by no means a sinecure. Together with the

increasing membership and the establishment of new local societies in affiliation with our own, the exchange list to be watched and enlarged, the Society's publications to be supervised, and its library and museum to be arranged, there is a large and constantly widening correspondence to be conducted. The Society has urgent need of an increased income to enable us to secure the full services of a secretary. We could then secure a constant and systematic canvass of the province for the formation of local societies in the counties at present unprovided with them, and the collection, cataloguing, preservation and printing of historical material in danger of loss or destruction. In the meantime the people of Ontario owe a debt of gratitude to Mr. Boyle for his laborious and valuable service during the last three years—a labor of love, inasmuch as the Society's scanty resources were inadequate to pay him more than a mere nominal remuneration.

In this connection it is proper to note that the Society must continue to urge upon the provincial authorities the necessity, in the public interest, of greatly increasing the annual grant, to enable it to do its work in a more satisfactory manner.

There is undoubtedly a wider appreciation of its operations by the public. Numerous members of the Local Legislature on both sides of the House have cordially co-operated with us in our attempt to secure a larger grant. The press devotes increasing attention to the earlier history of the Province. With increasing appreciation of our efforts by the people will, in the course of time, come a fuller recognition by the Legislature. To that end all our members should use their influence in promoting a strong public opinion throughout the Province. In the meantime we have only to work on, and hope ever.

NOTE.—The remainder of the address was taken up with an account of "The Bay of Quinte in History and Cartography." This will appear as a separate paper in the next number of the Society's Papers and Records.

THE THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MONUMENTS AND TABLETS COMMITTEE.

The unveiling of the monument to Laura Secord will take place on June 22nd, at Niagara Falls South. In accordance with instructions received at the last annual meeting, I advertised in the *Mail and Empire* and *Globe* of July 4th and 7th, for designs for a monument, to cost \$500. Nine designs were submitted, and after careful study of the various sketches the Committee selected the one submitted by Miss Mildred Peel, a life-size bronze bust on a granite pedestal. This bust Miss Peel completed in clay some months ago, and it is now on its way from the foundry.

Laura Secord is represented as about thirty-eight years of age, which was her age at the time she performed her heroic deed. While we have no portrait of Laura Secord taken at this time, yet with the aid of a later portrait, and pictures of several members of the family, and particularly with the assistance of a granddaughter of one of Laura Secord's sisters, who bears a striking likeness to the Ingersolls, and especially to Laura Secord, Miss Peel has been able to give us a beautiful conception of the brave and noble woman who did so much for King and country in 1813. I have completed arrangements for the removal of the headstones now over the graves of James and Laura Secord, to the church at Chippawa, and have to thank the rector and church-wardens for their kindness in their approval of the scheme. Mr. Ernest Peters, of Chippawa, who now owns and lives in the house in which Mrs. Secord died, and where she lived for over fifty years, has given us permission to put a tablet on the house. Tablets, I hope, will also be placed on the houses in Queenston and at De Cew's. The inscription on the monument has received the careful attention of both the Monuments and Tablets Committee and the Council of the Society.

Mrs. Ross, the wife of the Hon. G. W. Ross, has kindly consented to unveil the monument, and Mr. Ross will deliver an address. The 44th and 37th Regiments are to take part in the ceremonies, as well as the school children of the Niagara District. At this meeting it will be one of the duties of our Society to complete the arrangements for the unveiling. It is a pleasure to refer to the great interest which is being taken in historical matters, and we can congratulate the Niagara Historical Society upon the erection of seven tablets to mark places of interest at Niagara-on-the-Lake. The Canadian Club is still doing

similar good work for Toronto. The Simcoe Monument Committee have selected a design for that long-talked-of statue, and we hope soon to see it completed.

It is worthy of note that the Laura Secord monument will be the first public memorial to a woman erected in Ontario, and will be the work of a Canadian woman. The design selected for the Simcoe monument is also the work of a Canadian, Mr. Walter S. Allward, of Toronto.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

T. L. Buckton, Phoenix, B.C.	\$5 00
C. L. Biggar, Niagara Falls South	1 00
Mrs. Harcourt, Toronto.....	1 00
E. W. Lamprey, Toronto	1 00
Norfolk Historical Society	1 20
Queen's Own Rifles	2 00
Niagara Falls South Council	10 00
Mrs. Fergusson, Niagara Falls South	1 00
Miss Green, " "	1 00
Mrs. Butters, " "	1 00
H. L. Murphy, " "	1 00
A. C. Thorburn, " "	0 50
George Steele, " "	0 50
Rev. Canon Mackenzie, Chippawa	1 00
Miss B. Baird, "	0 50
Mrs. Kirkpatrick, "	1 00
J. F. Macklem, "	2 00
Village Council "	10 00
Prince Edward County Historical Society	5 00
W. C., Deer Park	1 00
Mrs. H. C. Newburn, Stamford	0 50
Dr. Newburn, Toronto	1 00
Rosa M. Morrison, London	0 50
John P. Secord, Orillia	3 00
Walter Alfred, Belleville	5 00
Public School Board, Cobourg	7 25
44th Welland Batt	7 00
Alex. Gaviller, Hamilton	1 00
Miss Gaviller, "	1 00
Oxford Historical Society	5 00
Mrs. C. W. Young, Cornwall	1 00
Mrs. German, Welland	5 00
Col. A. T. Thompson, M.P.	2 00
Mrs. Nevitt, Toronto	0 25

ELIZABETH J. THOMPSON.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT ON LAURA SECORD MONUMENT.

Through the kindness of the Executive of the O. H. S. I have been permitted to make a final report of the unveiling of the monument to Laura Secord, which took place as arranged on Saturday, June 22nd, at Niagara Falls South. An address of welcome was given by the Rev. Canon G. A. Bull, President of Lundy's Lane Historical Society, followed by an able paper by Mr. J. H. Coyne, President, O. H. S., on "The Many Efforts Made to Erect a Monument to the Heroine of 1813." The Rev. Geo. Bryce, M.A., LL.D., President Manitoba Historical Society, spoke on the debt we owed to the memory of those early settlers, particularly the women who had been the home-makers. Mrs. Ross then unveiled the monument, with a short address. Mrs. Fessenden, on behalf of the Daughters of the Empire, presented a wreath of flowers from the garden of the house in which Mrs. Secord lived in Chippawa. Miss Carnochan read a sonnet* composed for the occasion, and short addresses were then given by the Hon. J. G. Currie, of St. Catharines, Mr. F. W. Fearman, President Wentworth Historical Society, Mr. J. H. Thompson, of the Thorold and Beaver Dam Historical Society, Mr. E. Morris, Warden of Welland County, Mayor Slater and Canon Mackenzie. The Hon. Peter A. Porter, of Buffalo, gave a spirited address, and was pleased to acknowledge heroism wherever found.

The following grandchildren of Mrs. Laura Secord were present at the unveiling of the monument, viz., Mrs. C. W. Young, Cornwall; Miss Mary Carthew, Toronto; Miss Augusta Smith, Guelph; Miss Laura Clarke, Toronto; and Messrs. W. and E. K. Carthew, Waterloo. Letters were read from Mrs. Cockburn, of Winnipeg, and Mr. Morden Carthew, of Listowel.

The total amount collected will be \$742.69, the total expenses have been \$750.15. The inscriptions and pedestals were not satisfactory to the Committee, but this has been altered, and everything is now complete and paid for in full.

* See page 21 of this Report.

LAURA SECORD MONUMENT FUND.

Collected since June 6th, 1901—

In Belleville:

David Boyle (second contribution)	\$0 50
C. C. James " "	0 25
Mr. Mathison, Belleville	1 00
Mrs. Wills, "	1 00
Mrs. McCarthy, "	1 00
A Friend	0 25
Judge Dean, Lindsay	1 00
H. H. Chandler, Belleville	0 25
Amy Chandler, "	0 25
Thomas Conant, Oshawa	0 10
Dr. James Dunlop, Belfast, Ireland	1 00
Dr. Farley, Belleville	1 00
Judge Merrill, Picton	0 25
R. J. Graham, Belleville	1 00
E. H. D. Hall, Peterboro'	1 00
Miss Proctor	0 10
Mrs. Manning, Niagara	0 25
Edna Caldwell	0 10
F. H. Yeomans, Belleville	0 25
Mrs. Keith	0 25
A. F. Hunter, Barrie	1 00
J. D. Akins, Peterboro'	1 00
H. C. Hudson, Belleville	1 00
Mrs. James Harriman, Niagara Falls S.	1 25
S. Macklem, Toronto	2 00
Miss C. Macklem, Toronto	2 00
Welland County Council	50 00
John Soule, Niagara Falls S.	1 00
Dr. C. S. Stacey, Toronto	0 25
Dr. and Mrs. Bryce, Winnipeg	2 00
Janet L. Harriman, Niagara Falls South	1 00
Mrs. Robertson, " "	1 00
A Friend, Winnipeg	1 00
Thorold Public School	2 50
Fessenden Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, Hamilton	5 00
Mrs. Robert Robinson, Niagara	1 00

J. H. Thompson, Thorold	\$1 00
W. V. Lephram, Niagara	1 00
D. McBride, County of Peel	1 00
W. F. Lewis, Toronto	1 00
Niagara Falls Town Council	25 00
C. A. Case, St. Catharines	1 00
Victoria School, Belleville	1 00

Summary.

Historical Societies	\$173 90
Clubs and societies	38 50
Municipal Councils	70 00
Regiments	53 00
Schools (one cent collections)	70 76
Collected by private individuals	336 53

\$742 69

Expenses

741 63

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Expenses.

Miss Peel, bust	\$500 00
" " pedestal	158 50
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	\$658 50
Wm. Dalton, foundation	14 50
Unveiling luncheon, carriages, etc	17 75
Postage	11 73
Travelling	23 55
Printing, stationery, and advertising	24 10

\$750 13

ELIZABETH J. THOMPSON.

UNVEILING OF THE LAURA SECORD MONUMENT, JUNE
22ND, 1901, AT LUNDY'S LANE.

Address delivered by President James H. Coyne.

Eighty-eight years ago, come Monday next, was fought the battle of Beechwoods, or Beaver Dams. Eighty-eight years ago this evening, according to her own statement, Laura Secord became possessed of information as to the plans of the general in command of the United States forces at Niagara. These plans affected the safety of FitzGibbon's small outpost at De Cew's Falls, and perhaps the final result of the war. What was her duty as a patriotic Canadian, the wife and daughter of loyalist refugees? Her action was prompt, loyal and courageous. It has made her famous forever among women. It is that which has brought us here to-day.

The mortal remains of Laura Secord were placed in this cemetery thirty-three years ago, beside those of her husband. After some years a plain stone was placed at the head of her grave. But it was thought by many that something more appropriate should take its place. The limits of the grave plot do not permit of a large monument. The dead are crowded in this little enclosure of Lundy's Lane Cemetery. There was no room here for more than a simple bust and pedestal.

Let me here congratulate all those who have taken an active part in promoting the project for the erection of her monument, upon the success that to-day crowns their efforts. The Lundy's Lane Historical Society and its venerable President, the Rev. Canon Bull, are especially to be felicitated, that at last, to borrow the language of one of its most distinguished members, "her final resting place is marked by a fitting memorial of one of the bravest and most loyal of Canadian women."

Others will speak of her famous achievements. It is my task to narrate that of the men and women who have taken a prominent part in the movement for the erection of this monument, to-day, the end, crowns their work.

In the year 1887, at the Stamford High School, Mr. M. M. Fenwick, M.A., collected the first money for a monument to be erected over the grave of Laura Secord. On the 26th of July a letter from him appeared in the *Toronto World*, asking subscriptions. The letter was read by the late Mrs. S. A. Curzon, whose interest was thereby aroused

in the heroine and the project. With her facile and versatile pen she proceeded to make known in verse and prose the claims of Mrs. Secord upon the gratitude of the Canadian people. In that year she published her drama entitled, "Laura Secord."

In February, 1889, Ernest Cruikshank delivered a lecture on "The Fight in the Beechwoods," before the Lundy's Lane Society, in which he described the famous journey from Queenston to De Cew's, and expressed the hope that a suitable monument might be erected. The lecture was published by the Society, and the pamphlet mentions among the officers of the Society, James McGlashan, Esq., as treasurer of the Memorial Fund.

In 1891 Mrs. Curzon published in prose, under the auspices of the same Society, "The story of Laura Secord, a Heroine of 1813." Referring to the proposed memorial, she stated, "We are ready to open a subscription list on the part of the men and women of Ontario." It was proposed to ask the Government to aid, but this was not pressed.

In 1894 Miss Mary A. FitzGibbon published a biography of Colonel FitzGibbon, under the title, "A Veteran of 1812," and described Mrs. Secord's connection with the battle of Beaver Dams. A second edition was called for, and was published.

In 1895 a second and enlarged edition of Colonel Cruikshank's pamphlet was issued. Circulars were sent out containing appeals on behalf of the fund.

In 1897 Mrs. Munro read, before the same society, a paper giving her remembrance of the story as told to her by Mrs. Secord.

In 1898 a second edition of Mrs. Curzon's pamphlet appeared, and in it the announcement was made that donations to the Laura Secord Monument Fund would be gladly received by any of the Society's officers. Hitherto the movement had been a sporadic one, small sums having been collected in various quarters, but chiefly by the Lundy's Lane Society.

In September, 1898, the project is mentioned in the minutes of the Ontario Historical Society, the secretary being requested, by resolution, to communicate with local societies and individuals with reference to moneys collected for the purpose, and to request that these should be placed in the Society's hands. At the winter session, in February, 1899, a Monuments and Tablets Committee was appointed, consisting of Mrs. J. H. Thompson, convener; Mrs. John Calder, Miss Kenny, W. H. Doel, J. O. Brant-Sero and Miss M. A. FitzGibbon. This committee at once issued an appeal at the rate of not less than ten cents per member, to the fund for a monument over "the resting place of the heroine of

Upper Canada." This standing committee, under its efficient and active chairman, Mrs. Thompson, has had charge of the matter from that time, and to its members is due the credit for the success which has attended the organized movement.

In 1900 appeared Mrs. Emma A. Currie's "Story of Laura Secord."

At our Society's annual meeting in June, 1900, at Hamilton, the committee reported the funds collected, and recommended that the erection of the monument should be proceeded with at once, and the Society resolved accordingly.

The committee advertised for designs on the 2nd July, 1900. On the 23rd July the design submitted by Miss Mildred Peel, a sister of Paul Peel, was accepted, being a bronze bust, life size, on a square granite pedestal, the whole to be eight feet in height.

The sculptress, in depicting the heroine, was aided by photographs of Laura Secord, taken when somewhat advanced in years, and of relatives, who were considered to resemble her, as well as by the information, advice and criticisms of relatives and other persons. The result is considered not merely a satisfactory likeness of Mrs. Secord, as she must have appeared in 1813, but an artistic work of great merit, placing Miss Mildred Peel among Canada's foremost sculptors.

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