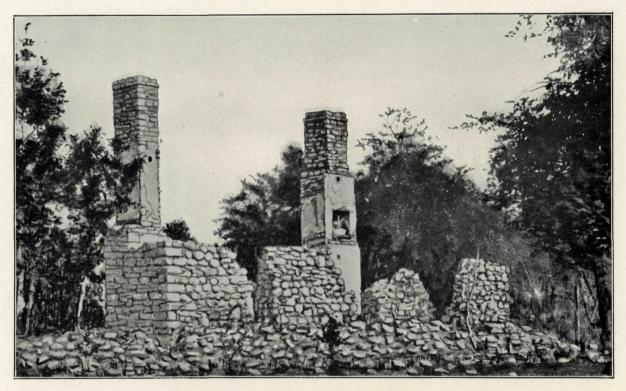


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RUINS OF COLONEL BY'S HOUSE ON MAJOR'S HILL From an old photograph taken in 1861.

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GUIDE

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NOTE—This list is incomplete. But we hope by next year to be authorized to include the names of all other societies, who have not as yet affiliated with the "Historic Landmarks Association."

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

To the Members of the "Historic Landmarks Association."

I have great pleasure in reporting a year of progress, with much good work done. Building on the foundation so carefully laid by our predecessors, we are erecting a solid structure, from which we can view fields of almost unlimited work; and we are carrying forward such plans as, we feel convinced, will make our Association of permanent value and interest to those who are alive to that most fascinating of all pursuits, the study of the History of Events that have actually happened in our own land.

As we have gone forward with our work, it has naturally defined itself along certain well-marked lines. Our plans for the coming twelve months may be briefly outlined as follows:

- I. We propose to publish annually a "Guide" to Historical Societies (including kindred Societies not so named), existing in the Dominion of Canada. This will be forwarded to all similar societies, both British and Foreign, (more than 200 in all). The value of this Guide, as a means of putting strangers immediately in touch with the Society most intimately associated with any locality; and the benefit to that Society itself, we trust must appear self-evident. We are printing with this report an incomplete list, hoping with our next annual Report to be able to print a list that will be entire and complete.
- II. We have undertaken the compilation of a Classified List of all Historical Sites in the Dominion that have been "marked." This is a large undertaking; but as our organization seems to be especially fitted for the carrying out of this work, we have begun, and already made considerable progress; and we hope, with the aid of the local Societies, (whom we shall call on in due time), to have the work completed and in shape in a far shorter period than the magnitude of the task would at first lead one to suppose.
- III. We have been able to be active in assisting and bringing about the marking of hitherto unmarked sites, as the report of our General Secretary will shew in detail; and we trust to continue

active in this respect; always recognizing to the full the rights of the proper local Society, when such Society exists.

I have to thank all the Officers of the Association for their unfailing interest in, and energy given to, all departments of the work.

M. Benjamin Sulte, our French Secretary, is kindly donating a series of Circulars in French. His kind gift we all appreciate to the fullest extent, as it will enable us to spread our propaganda among our French confrères, whose interest in the History of their own race in Canada is always loyal and intense.

As the work began to pour in upon us last December we found it necessary to appoint a General Secretary to the Association; and we are glad to say Mrs. J. B. Simpson, (who was elected English Secretary at our last meeting) consented to add these duties to those of receiving correspondence addressed in the English language. Since then she has devoted all her time to the work of the Association, to which her services have been so valuable as to merit our sincerest thanks, and the strongest terms of praise.

The Treasurer's report will speak for itself. In view of the serious overshadowing responsibilities of the fearful war in which our Empire is engaged, we feel that our thanks are due to our Treasurer for producing such a favourable financial report.

PEMBERTON SMITH,

President.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY.

The Historic Landmarks Association seems to have been launched in the reflected glory of the Battlefields of the Plains of Abraham and the Tercentenary of Quebec. Our aim is to spread it across the continent, asking from the whole Dominion all that is worthy of record and permanent preservation as national heirlooms—that will tell the story to generations yet to come—"lest we forget."

Though working under the shadow of this awful war, a genuine response has come from Halifax to Victoria—let us mark and preserve the places in Canada where deeds worthy of record were performed, from the country's earliest days.

This Association desires to gather from all parts of the Dominion of Canada, all the knowledge available regarding each site or case it is proposed to mark—obtain verification of the same from documents in the Dominion Archives and other reliable sources, submit reports from each province to the Council, which will then consider the merits of each application and, when desired, recommend to the Government for approval.

Dividing our correspondence according to Provinces, we can only lightly touch on places, reporting progress as we further go.

Nova Scotia

From Halifax, N.S., Mr. W. C. Milner (who succeeded Prof. Ganong) writes:—"For two years I have been giving special attention to placing monuments over historic sites in the ancient Province of Acadia," and asks for information as to the aims and scope of the Historic Landmarks Association.

We might note here that the "Memorial Tower" of Halifax, erected to commemorate the First Parliament of Nova Scotia, or of what was then Canada, initiated by the Canadian Club of that city, was carried to a successful national completion through the efforts of our distinguished veteran citizen, Sir Sandford Fleming,

who has contributed valuable data for our Directory of Historic sites. Beckles Willson, the well known writer and landmarker too, for he has established himself in the Homestead of Judge Haliburton ("Sam Slick, the Clockmaker"), at Windsor—where he says:—"I am in full sympathy with the objects of your Association. Our Canadian landmarks have too frequently been treated by our progressive people almost as effectually as the Belgian landmarks were treated by the Germans."

Cape Breton Island

On Cape Breton Island, the historic ground of Louisbourg, with its two sieges in 1745 and 58, once known from its splendid fortress as the "Dunkirk of America"—should be preserved—and is now, we understand, on the list of the Dominion Parks Commissioner, Mr. J. B. Harkin.

Prince Edward Island

Premier J. A. Mathieson, of Prince Edward Island writes:—
"while appreciating very fully the value of the work which your
Association has undertaken"..." I regret I cannot recommend
any action"..." until the war is over."

It was at Charlottetown, last fall, that the fiftieth anniversary of the inception of Confederation was appropriately marked by a Memorial Bronze Tablet inscribed:—

"In the hearts and in the minds of the Delegates who assembled in this room, on Sept. 1st, 1864, was born 'The Dominion of Canada'."

"Providence being their guide they builded better than they knew.

"This tablet is erected on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of the event."

New Brunswick

Among correspondence from New Brunswick, E. C. Durnford, Sackville, enters a plea for the preservation of the old U.E. Loyalist burying ground of that place. And the Ven. Arch-

deacon Raymond, contributes a valuable list of memorial landmarks for our Directory of Historic Sites, also mentioning, among others in contemplation, one "to perpetuate the fame of the Loyalists who founded the City of St. John on the 18th May, 1786."

Quebec

In Quebec city, so full of historical sites, the Wolfe Memorial Church, the latest projected landmark, is in abeyance, the prime mover, Rev. Canon Scott, with his son, having answered the call to the front.

In Montreal, rich in historic memories, all important sites have been marked with Tablets by the well known "Antiquarian Society."

On the 23rd April this year, (St. George's Day) the Officers of the "Historic Landmarks Association" conjointly with the officers of the "Antiquarian Society," received Field Marshal H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught, Governor General of Canada; who, accompanied by his staff, and a guard of honour from the 42nd Highlanders, formally unveiled the new Memorial tablet just inserted on the monument of Lieut.-General Sir Benjamin D'Urban, once Commander of the Forces in Canada; and after whom the city of Durban, S.A., is named. General D'Urban was the man was brought about the erection at Quebec of the present monument to General Wolfe. The address to His Royal Highness was presented by Mr. W. D. Lighthall, F.R.S.C., our Vice-President at Montreal.

This monument in the "old military burying ground" on Papineau Avenue was completely defaced by vandals some two years ago; and was replaced by the personal efforts and generosity of Mr. W. H. Leach, of Montreal, also one of our members.

Ontario

The Ontario Historical Society, with its forty-one affiliated local ones, wishes us "every success." The Historical Sites and Monuments Committee so ably convened by the President, Mr. Clarance Warner, has done splendid work. A special plea is

made for a memorial park on the Battlefield site of "Beaver Dams", on which Mr. Frank Keefer, K.C., of Thorold, has written an interesting brochure. He has received the endorsation of the Ontario Historical Society, the United Empire Loyalists, our Historic Landmarks Association, and from the Dominion Parks Commissioner, whom we have every reason to believe will, in the near future, include it in his growing list of National Historic Parks.

Among the 1000 Islands, our attention has been called to the "Chimney Island" above Brockville, by Sir Clifford Sifton, who writes:—"It is extremely necessary to do something to mark this Island, and suggesting, "it would be an excellent idea if this Island were included in the Dominion Parks group and a small landing place and pavilion erected upon it," adding, "if the above suggestion is adopted it would be desirable to have some kind of a stone tablet firmly planted with a short inscription upon it."

In our Capital City, a monument has been erected to Champlain on Nepean Point, on the spot where he stood, astrolabe in hand, taking his last observation.

A. J. Russell's brochure on "Champlain's Astrolabe," from which the sculptor, Hamilton McCarthy took his model, has a map of part of the County of North Renfrew, showing the exact spot where lost in June of 1613, and found in August of 1867.

The inauguration of this site took place last June, when the President of the Women's Canadian Historical Society, the late Mrs. Thomas Ahearn, turned the first sod for the foundation stone.

On Major's Hill Park our Association has succeeded in marking the site of the house occupied by Lieut.-Col. John By, R.E., builder of the Rideau Canal, 1826-32, and founder of the City of Ottawa (By-town) our Federal Capital. The two historic stones, one bearing the Coat of Arms of the Royal British Engineers, the other, "Lieut.-Colonel J. By, Comm. Royal Eng.", that were removed from the arch of the old Sappers and Miners Bridge,

when it was demolished on construction of the present Connaught Place, have been placed on the site and a bronze tablet inserted.

An interesting monument, up the Ottawa river at Portage du Fort, has been preserved, which bears the following inscription:—
"To commemorate the visit of Lady Head, who made the tour of the Upper Ottawa in a bark canoe, in 1856." (First white woman)

Following the Ottawa and French rivers to Champlain's "Mer Douce," and crossing Lake Superior we come to the Twin Cities of Port Arthur and Fort William. In the latter, the gateway to the North-West, the Thunder Bay Historical Society is erecting a national monument of polished red granite:—"To Commemorate the Locality made famous by the Pioneer Fur Traders of the Great North-West," and giving a concise history of the Companies (some 2,000 letters) from 1612 to 1889. Mr. Peter McKellar, President of the Thunder Bay Historical Society writes:—"We claim that the Kaministigwia was the gateway through which the vast North-West was discovered. Therefore Fort William, (Fort Caministigoyan, built 1648) on the Kaministigwia, is the most suitable place for the monument to the great fur traders."

Manitoba

Among correspondents from Winnipeg (old Fort Garry) we number a grandson of the first Governor and builder of the Upper and Lower Forts. The brass Memorial Tablet on Fort Garry gate, presented by the Canadian Club of Winnipeg, bears an interesting historical record, from erection in 1806 of first fort, Gibraltar—second in 1822, re-named Fort Garry; rebuilt 1835—demolished in 1882, except the gateway which in 1897, with the park, was presented by the Hudson's Bay Company to the City of Winnipeg. To the heroic Hudson, from whom the Company derived its name—Isaac Cowie writes:—"the united West should erect her first monument in bronze or sculptured stone." Might this not be fitly commemorated when our Hudson's Bay Railway "opens the bay," that, "where he went a thousand ships can go."

Alberta

From the University of Alberta, Edmonton, and Mrs. Arthur Murphy ("Janey Canuck") we received appreciative letters—the latter is anxious to "secure the preservation of the Hudson's Bay Fort at Edmonton, which is rapidly falling into ruins;" also drawing attention "to a block house built by the 65th Regiment of Montreal at Millet, Alta., time of the Riel rebellion."

British Columbia

Charles Mair, western pioneer and poet, writing from Fort Steele, B.C.:—"with so many calls for Canadian and Imperial patriotic purposes," decides "this is a patriotic association which calls for every Canadian's support. I may be able to indicate hereafter one or two points of interest in this valley, sites knit to primitive history."

Miss Agnes C. Laut, author of "The Pathfinders," and "Conquest of the Great North West," is a valuable ally, for she says—"you have my interest indeed in the good cause you are forwarding"... "tell me exactly what I can do for you"... "the West is woefully destitute in pride of age and place, and the places worthy of memory are legion."

From Vancouver, Miss Isabel A. R. McLean, evinces great interest in the "valuable work" of our Association which, when the stress of war is over, will find heartier response." Drawing attention—"While on a trip through Columbia Valley last summer, the site was pointed out of David Thompson's fur trading post overlooking Windermere Lake, the stones where he built his fireplace still there and corners of his stoutly built log house—one of Canada's greatest map makers, and first to journey to the mouth of the Columbia river—thought then some Society should mark the spot." (It is now on our list).

Mr. E. O. S. Scholefield, the Provincial Librarian at Victoria, in his application for membership, asks if he is eligible, not being a member of the Royal Society—adding—"As far as British

Columbia is concerned, there is a great deal to do with regard to the preservation of the sites of historic scenes and spots."

Sufficient has been quoted to shew awakened interest; intelligent grasp; and something definite done—but this is only, as it were, the first leaf turned, in volumes yet to come.

We have taken you across the continent from Halifax to Vancouver, where in Stanley Park from that three-cornered piece of land (now fenced off) on Siwash Rock, the ashes of our Indian Princess poet were, (in fulfilment of her request) thrown to the waters.

And where—the first to emerge triumphant over every danger and distress on the shore of the vast Pacific, at the entrance to Vancouver's Cascade Canal,—his tablet the rock, materials at hand vermillion and grease, explorer, discoverer and artist in one (no requisitions required) took his observation and inscribed: "Alexander Mackenzie, from Canada by Land, the twenty-second of July, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three." Our first Landmarker recorded!

Let us work with the same energy and enthusiasm, believing that our beloved Canada, does need, the exalting touch of every landmark that bears a living message, and that she can keep, either in substance or in souvenir.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. RUSSELL SIMPSON,

General Secretary.

Ottawa, 21st May, 1915.

REPORT OF THE FRENCH SECRETARY.

M. BENJAMIN SULTE.

Si l'on peut dire qu'il n'y a rien de nouveau sous le soleil, il n'en est pas moins vrai que, dans un pays nouveau, bien des choses n'ont jamais eu lieu, quoique l'Europe en ait eu le spectacle depuis des siècles. Ainsi, vers 1880, nous sommes entrés dans ce que j'appellerais l'ère des statues et cette innovation, qui étonnait bien des gens, est déjà au nombre des faits acceptés et reconnus comme formant partie de notre existence nationale, parce que c'est le réveil des personnages oubliés qui symbolisent un passé très honorable et souvent glorieux. Le peupl canadien s'habitue à voir surgir sur les places publiques de nos villes, les figures de ses anciens chefs dont la souvenir se serait perdu sans cela, et il en demande encore. Par bonheur, nous na manquons pas de célébrités, mais, lo dirai-je? en 1880, plusieurs s'imaginaient que cette idée d'élever des statues n'irait pas loin, faute, pensaient-ils, d'avoir des grands hommes à remettre en lumière. On en est plus là aujourd'hui!

Tout marche de cette manière dans le monde. Il y a cent ans, ne disait on pas que notre pays n'avait point d'histoire valant la peine d'être racontée—c'était parce que nous n'avions pas d'historien, car l'histoire existait, enfouie dans l'ombre du passé. Les révélations des écrivains ont levé le voile. On a voulu faire comme en Europe: remettre au jour et visible aux yeux de tous, les grandes personnalités d'autrefois. Des sculpteurs son nés à propos pour accomplir cette oeuvre nationale. Leur ciseau a popularisé ceux à qui nous devons de la reconnaissance; l'étude des événements anciens s'est répandue; nous éprouvons de l'orgueuil à la vue d'un héros ou d'un homme d'Etat, ou d'un bienfaiteur public et qu'est-ce que cela si ce n'est faire aimer la patrie?

Le courant électrique remonte à travers les générations. Nous vivons de la vie agitée et toute chaude du sentiment canadien qui animait nos dévanciers dans les âges lointains. Nous sommes quelque chose puisque nous avons une histoire. Ce n'est pas la simple gloriole d'une famille, c'est la gloire de toute un peuple. Nous nous relevons à nos propres yeux et dans l'estime des nations

contemporaines. Ce n'est plus une contrée tout-à-fait d'hier, c'est un Canada qui compte trois siècles de travaux, de belles époques remplies d'enseignements à la fois utiles et honorables—sans une tache qui les déconsidère. Emparons-nous de ces nobles souvenirs et faisons en sorte que, dans la vie d'à présent, tous nos morts illustres marchent avec nous.

Il y a huit ans, à la Société Royale, nous avons formé une branche pour faire de la propagande en faveur de cette idée, car nous voulons aller encore plus loin que le mouvement commencé vers 1880. Il s'agit d'attirer l'attention des citoyens marquants d'une ville, d'un village, d'un comté sur les événements ou les hommes d'un autre époques appartenant à ces localités et de les indiure à faire quelque chose pour en perpétuer le souvenir. En histoire, rien n'est petit, rien n'est inutile. Tout ce qui tient au passé doit revivre sous une forme ou sous une autre—et c'est activer le patriotisme que deposer une plaque commémorative, une colonne, une marque quelconque, dans un lieu où le passant ne voit rien aujourd'hui qui frappe son imagination.

Le rapport que je fais so bornera à constater que, durant ces huit années de semence, nous avons assez bien réussi pour entrevoir, dans un avenir prochain, la participation d'un grand nombre de citoyens au plan général que nos circulaires ont fait connaître. L'idée se répand, elle deviendra populaire. Une fois rendue à ce point, elle opérera partout et se soutiendra d'elle-même.

N'allons pas croire que les sujets feront défaut pour ériger des monuments—que chacun y pense un peu et on sera surpris de notre abondance de ressources, tout comme nous l'avons été lors qu'il a été question de couler en bronze quelques-uns de nos grands hommes. Regardons autour de nous et nous trouverons. Je constate que, de toute part, en Canada, depuis huit ans, notre tâche, qui paraissait au premier abord, devoir rester sans fruit, a été de mieux en mieux comprise et que l'élan est donné. Nous sommes des instigateurs. Du moment où l'on s'accorde avec notre plan c'est que le patriotisme est réveillé et alors tout au bien. Dans huit autres années, peut-être que notre comité se dissoudra en voyant que "tout le monde en est," mais si la propagande n'est pas suffisamment avancée, nous resterons debout et à l'œuvre.

BENJAMIN SULTE.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Canada Life Building, Montreal, 30th April, 1915.

To the President and Members of
The Historic Landmarks Association.

Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen:-

I have again the honour of presenting the Annual Cash Statement of the Historic Landmarks Association; and am glad to be able to report that during the last year, thanks to the activity of the President and Secretary, the Society has made good progress, and I anticipate will soon work itself into the position that it should hold, —a Clearing House for all the Historical and Antiquarian Societies of the Dominion.

I am pleased to be able to report that the Receipts are nearly three times the amount of the preceding year; and with a very small expenditure, a great deal of foundation work has been done, which will no doubt bear good fruit in the future. I trust that all who are interested in the stirring history of Canada will come forward and add their contributions—both in money and matter—to the support of the Association; for, to make the work really effective and interesting, we must be able to make good use of the printing press, with illustrations.

I feel it satisfactory that I am able to close the year with a small balance in excess of last year's. Our total receipts have been \$92.08; and our expenditure, which has been most judiciously used, was \$89.95. I hope these amounts will be very handsomely and effectively increased in the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

G. DURNFORD,

Honorary Treasurer.

HISTORIC LANDMARKS ASSOCIATION.

CASH STATEMENT for the Year ending 30th of April, 1915.

RECEIPTS.

Subscriptions\$84.00	
Bank Interest 8.08	
	\$92.08
Balance on hand, 30th April, 1914	273.37
	\$365.45
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Secretary	\$50.00
Expense:—	
Printing, Stationery, etc \$26.75	
Postage (Montreal and Ottawa) 12.75	
Bank Exchange35	
	39.85
	89.85
Balance on hand, 30th April, 1915	275.60
	\$365.45
G. DURNFORD	
Honorary Treasurer	

Montreal, 30th April, 1915.

The Annual Fee for Affiliation of an Established Society with the Historic Landmarks Association is Five Dollars.

Remit with instructions to the Treasurer, George Durnford, Esq., F.C.A., Room 58, Canada Life Building, Montreal, giving at the same time the name and address of the Secretary, or other official of the Society authorized to conduct correspondence.

The Annual Fee for Enrolment as an Individual Member is One Dollar, which should be remitted to the Treasurer, with the address of the Applicant for membership clearly given.