

Executive Assistant's Report

Sandra Morton

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce our members to our new President, Commander W.A.B. Douglas, (RCN, Retired), who has been a member of our Executive since 1973. He was born in Southern Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe), and has studied history at the Universities of Toronto, Dalhousie, and Queen's. Alec joined the Royal Canadian Navy in 1950, specializing in navigation, and served on HMCS ONTARIO QUEBEC, SWANSEA, PENETANG, OUTREMENT, OTTAWA, KOOTENAY, and FORT ERIE. A Staff Officer at the Royal Military College, Kingston, from 1964 to 1967, he subsequently joined the Directorate of History, Ministry of National Defence in Ottawa, of which he has been the Director since 1973. He recently co-authored with Brereton Greenhous *Out of the Shadows: Canada in the Second World War* (Oxford: 1977). Our Executive members all join me in congratulating Alec on his position, and we all look forward to working with him in the year ahead.

Our Annual Meeting in Niagara-on-the-Lake in June was a smashing success, and on behalf of the Society I would like to extend a special thank-you to Betty Beattie, Russell Netherton, John Field and the other members of the Niagara Historical Society who helped co-ordinate this Conference. At the Annual Meeting, our Honours and Awards Committee presented the following three awards: a President's Award honouring a corporation that has taken a leading role as a patron of our provincial history and heritage to John Labatt, Ltd.; the Scadding Award for the best local society to the Norwich and District Historical Society; and the Riddell Award for the best article published in *Ontario History* to Colin Read for "The London District Oligarchy in the Rebellion Era".

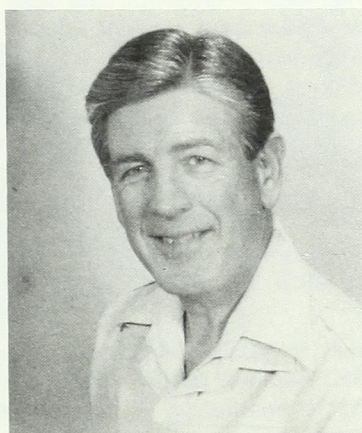
I would also like to officially thank Sandra Bell, a volunteer who has devoted

many hours of her time and energy to the Society by establishing a library system, wherein all of the Society's books and periodicals are systematically being catalogued. I must also thank Lyse Prendergast, our Experience Summer student, who has just completed a most worthwhile project. She has prepared a catalogue for Grades 7 and 8 history teachers, categorizing and classifying all articles in back issues of *Ontario History*, dating back to 1958, which pertain to Canadian History courses being taught in our schools. The rationale behind this project is to make our educators more aware of the ways in which The Ontario Historical Society can be utilized, as well as to help sell our supply of back issues of our journal.

The deadline for submissions for the December *Bulletin* is Friday, October 16th, 1981.

President's Message

W.A.B. Douglas



Anyone who heard Gerry Killan's fine presidential address at Niagara knows that we are striving, more than ever before, for "outreach". That word has a familiar ring for me, as a son of the manse, but rest assured there will be no preaching, even if we cannot resist some

proselytizing! Our aim is to involve people.

We are starting at the top. The revised constitution allows us to admit more members of the OHS to the Executive by shortening the terms of office. We have, therefore, recruited four new people this year, all of whom have remarkable talents. Let me introduce them to you.

BOB BURNS is an historian at the Ontario regional office of Parks Canada, at Cornwall. A member and past chairman of the Cornwall LACAC, he is also first Vice-President of the Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Historical Society. A graduate of the Universities of Toronto and Western Ontario, he specialized for his Ph.D. in the social history of pre-Confederation Ontario. Bob is being moved to Ottawa, but his Cornwall ties remain strong. He will serve on the Publications Committee chaired by David Roberts.

JOYCE PETTIGREW is an active worker in heritage and preservation efforts who lives at Springford, near Otterville. She was Chairperson of the Norwich Township LACAC from 1975-80, and organized the South Norwich Historical Society in 1975. A 1949 graduate of the University of Toronto, with several years' experience as an elementary school teacher, Joyce has been largely responsible for such things as restoration of the octagonal cottage at Woodlawn, the 1978 publication of *With Mortar and Pine*, describing 35 heritage houses in Norwich Township, two history fairs, several local history contests, and the project to publish a history of Norwich Township in 1982. She will serve on Heather Broadbent's Preservation Committee.

SANDRA SIMS is the designer of our most recent membership brochure. She is an editor with the provincial Ministry of Transportation and Communications. Educated at the Universities of Western Ontario and Toronto, and at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, she has wide

experience in the production of advertising programmes. Her enthusiastic commitment to the history of the province is our good fortune, and she will be a valuable addition to Ashley Thomson's Membership Committee.

WILLIAM WESTFALL is Co-ordinator of Canadian Studies at York University and the new Assistant Editor of *Ontario History*. He has published a number of important articles about regional history, his particular field of expertise lying in the culture of protestant Ontario during the Victorian period. William graduated with his B.A. from Trinity College, University of Toronto, in 1968. He went on to receive his M.A. and Ph.D. from the same university, and taught at Queen's in Kingston before going to York in 1975. William will not be a voting member of the Executive, but he will have an important part to play in developing editorial policy. As a fellow alumnus of Trinity, I am of course delighted to welcome him to our ranks.

Two other members of the Executive, Kathryn Lamb and Gary Peck, have stepped down to make room for the newcomers. They are, however, still carrying on the work they began last year, Kathryn in the organization of workshops, and Gary as Chairman of the Young Ontario Committee. I intend to consult both of them for advice on other matters, and we hope that Gary will play a large part in our annual meeting at Sudbury in 1983.

The Executive has never been stronger, or more representative, of the wide variety of people who concern themselves about Ontario's past. They are going to be busy folk, because we have a programme of workshops, preservation activities, fund-raising and membership attraction that is even more active than in the past twelve months. Moreover, we have plans for *Ontario History* that, if the funds can be raised, will give great scope for the enrichment of that venerable publication.

It is also going to be a year of celebration. Centennials, sesquicentennials and bicentennials are upon us, and they will be proliferating for at least the next ten years. In 1982 we will help to launch the activities of "Rideau 150" with our annual meeting at Kingston. It is appropriate that we should mark the sesquicentennial of the Rideau Canal during this presidential term, because it affords

the incumbent an opportunity to draw attention to his own area of particular interest, maritime and naval history. Ontario has shown surprising indifference to the history of its waterways and shipping, and I hope we can remedy that situation.

It was about a hundred years ago that the momentum of heritage movements sparked the formation of Dr. Scadding's Pioneer Association of On-

tario. Once again, for some of the same reasons, Ontarians are becoming acutely conscious of their history. We have a great opportunity to harness heritage preservation efforts and to understand, with so much more information at our disposal, what it is that makes our province a unique region of Canada. With the help of the Society's general membership, I am sure we will succeed. I hope you will enjoy the experience as much as I propose to do.

Preservation Committee Report and Local Liaison Activities

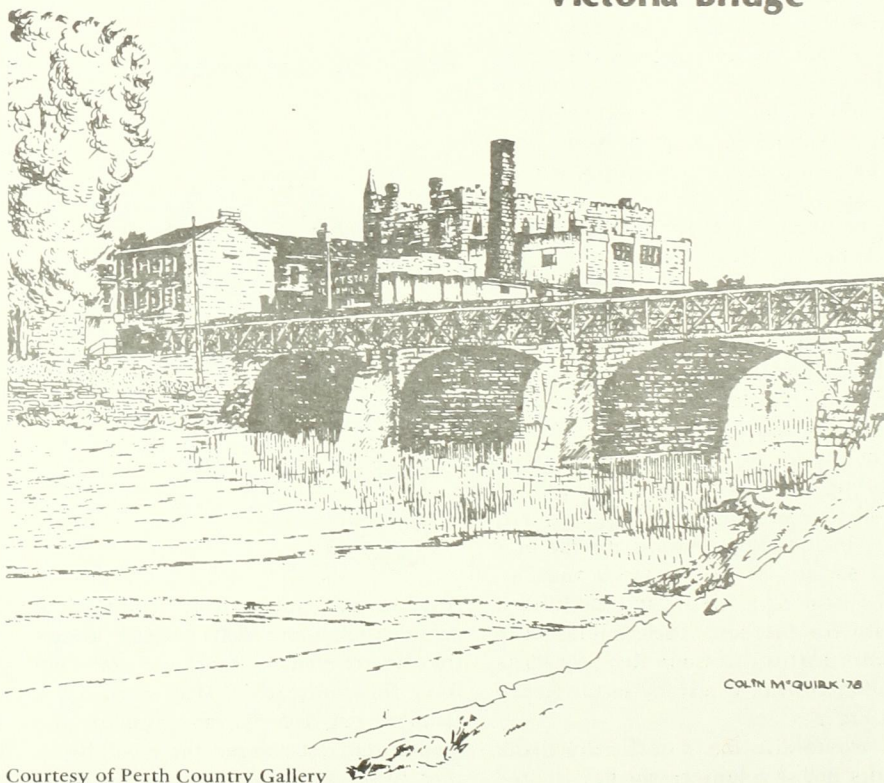
Heather Broadbent

Preparation for many fall heritage activities are well underway at the time of writing this Liaison Letter and Report. Cambridge LACAC and this organization are preparing a "Heritage Conservation: A Community Effort" Conference to be held in the Town Hall, Cambridge, on Saturday, October 3, 1981. The programme will include speakers on restoration projects, and Main Street revitalization and preservation. The final Conference in this series, dedicated to the memory of B. Napier Simpson Jr., will be held in Thornhill, Napier's home town. This programme will be held at

Thornhill Community Centre on Friday, November 13, 1981, and will also include two panel sessions, one on the C.A.U.S.E. (Community Assist for an Urban Study Effort Committee) project of the Ontario Association of Architects, and the other on Napier Simpson Jr.'s work as an architect, with special emphasis on restoration.

The Society has been representing the heritage interests of our members on various Ontario Hydro Public Participation programmes and Bulk Transmission studies for some time. Currently we have representation on the Public Participa-

Victoria Bridge



Courtesy of Perth Country Gallery

tion Review Advisory Committee, and the South Western Bulk Transmission Study. If you live in the latter area of Ontario you may be invited to Ontario Hydro public meetings at the beginning of 1982. Please make an effort to attend these meetings and inform the Ontario Hydro officials of your concerns and pinpoint prehistoric and historic sites on the proposed routes. Sites can be avoided if they are indicated as being important. Your involvement then and at the later meetings may prevent destruction of an important heritage resource.

Heritage St. Marys is involved in a controversy over the possible destruction of the three span stone bridge on Queen St., also known as Victoria Bridge. Unfortunately, provincial funding is only available for a new structure as its estimates are far lower than those for the restoration and improvements to the 1865 structure. At the time of writing I understand that the estimated prices are being scrutinized and that the Minister of Culture and Recreation, the Chairman of the Ontario Heritage Foundation, and the Mayor and Council of St. Marys are being asked to review the situation.

In addition, the Society is involved in heritage evaluation of the proposed realignments to Highway 2 from Bowmanville to Newcastle. Again, your help in indicating and locating important heritage sites will be requested in due course.

Association of Municipalities of Ontario—Report 48—The Ontario Heritage Act

Heather Broadbent

As reported in the last *Bulletin*, this report was circulated in March 1981. We hope that many of you have had a chance to review the document. If not, it should be available through your municipal office or from the A.M.O. (Association of Municipalities of Ontario) for \$2.00.

From the first page, A.M.O. pulls no punches regarding the major problems underlying the Act and discusses the limitations, weak controls and lack of incentives to heritage conservation. Probably most important, the report reveals the weaknesses exposed in the Act by conflicting legislative acts and codes.

A.M.O. discusses many sections of the Act including financial concerns, protection controls, Heritage Conserva-

tion District designation difficulties, and clarification of the role of LACACs. Regrettably, the report does not go much beyond recommending clarification of the role already played by LACACs in their communities. It is not very specific about the important part such committees can and do play in local and provincial planning activities, and in assisting various branches of provincial ministries on provincial, local and special regional plans, such as transportation routes, hydro corridors, official plans, and archaeological concerns. (This is becoming particularly important as the Environment Assessment Act requires heritage evaluation and could be another conflict-

ing act without local advisory involvement.)

The report summarizes 37 important recommendations and gives a suggested replacement for Sections 29-34 of the Ontario Heritage Act. In July the A.M.O. approved funding for at least one conference to give an opportunity to interested groups or individuals to discuss the Act and the recommendations of this report. This should prove interesting and informative, and give you an opportunity to express your concerns. Plan to attend when the date is announced. Finally, I leave you with the conclusions of this important report:

The effectiveness of the Ontario Heritage Act is limited by its weaknesses in both the principles underlying the Act and in the implementation of its provisions. The most significant limitation of the Act is its inability to provide permanent protection from demolition. If the Act gives no control over the right to destroy heritage resources, then it cannot possibly fulfill its purpose of preserving and conserving these resources.

Implementation provisions in the Act are limited by the excessive procedural requirements which create a significant obstacle to its use by many municipalities. In particular, the provisions for designating Heritage Conservation Districts are extremely weak. Under the terms of the Act, the value of district designation is questionable. A municipality must weigh the advantages of attempting to designate a district against the actual benefits if designation does take place.

Furthermore, implementation is discouraged by the lack of financial incentives. This is especially important in times of economic constraint. No matter how sound legislation is, if it is not economically more viable to preserve than to demolish, then the latter will occur.

The Act also may be considered as creating a sense of false security since some may assume by its very existence that heritage properties are being protected when in fact, this may not be the case. Governments at all levels must take a stronger leadership role in promoting heritage conservation. The Ontario Heritage Act is relatively new, and indeed has much potential. It has made a start towards attaining the three basic goals of listing, protection, and financial aid, which must be adopted by the public sector if heritage conservation is to be achieved. A.M.O. believes that through refinements to the Act, in combination with amendments to other related legislation and regulations, that the true value of the Act as a preservation tool can be achieved.

Grants News

The St. Catharines Historical Museum has received a federal "Summer Canada-1981" grant in the amount of \$7,500 for a three month summer project. They have hired three summer employees who will help install the new military history gallery, "A Call to Service", and prepare a new travelling exhibition to get the Museum farther out into the community. The Museum is most grateful to the office of Gilbert Parent, M.P.,

for its help.

The Aurora and District Historical Society reports that the Aurora Council has recently voted to engage Model Builders to complete structural repairs at the Church Street School at a cost of about \$135,000. Grants from the Ontario Heritage Foundation and the Ministry of Culture and Recreation will pay a portion of these costs.

Exhibition Space Available

The Market Gallery of the City of Toronto Archives is looking for displays of public interest for exhibition on its mezzanines. We are a public gallery occupying the section of the South St. Lawrence Market which housed Toronto's first City Hall from 1844-1899. Each mezzanine is approximately 1500 square feet and open on three sides overlooking the market. Certain display equipment is available as well as assistance in installation. Displays, ranging in subject matter from information on your organization to historical topics, could be exhibited for up to one month. There is no rental fee.

If your organization is interested and would like more information please contact The Market Gallery, 95 Front Street East, Toronto, Ontario M5E 1C2. Phone (416) 367-7604.

About People

GEORGE WATERS, formerly Executive Assistant to the Managing Director of the Toronto Historical Board, is the new Deputy Director of the Board.

PETER STYRMO, formerly Conservation Co-ordinator, Museums Section, Heritage Administration Branch of the Ministry of Culture and Recreation, has recently been appointed to the position of Curator, Marine Museum of Upper Canada. He will also assume responsibility for the Board's historical collections as senior curator.

DAVID MACDONALD, former Secretary of State and Minister of Communications in the federal government, is the newly elected Chairman of the WRITERS' DEVELOPMENT TRUST. The Trust's purpose is to promote interest in and advance the development of Canadian literature and Canadian writers.

SHIRLEY HARTT, former Curator of the Joseph Brant Museum in Burlington, has become the new Curator/Director of Montgomery's Inn, Islington, Ontario.

JOHN G. McAVITY is leaving his position as Executive Director of the Ontario Museum Association to become the new Executive Director of the Canadian Museums Association.

Across the Province

The St. Catharines Historical Museum will be receiving a number of benefits from the Merritton Neighbourhood Improvement Programme. The million dollar plus programme will be paying for the resurfacing of streets, improving street lighting, improving park facilities, and creating a hiking and biking trail across the Old Canal. The projects are funded from federal, provincial and municipal sources and are scheduled for completion in 1982.

The many cosmetic and landscaping improvements to the Museum include the replacement of the sidewalk with decorative interlocking paving stones, a bus rest area near the Cenotaph, the planting of new evergreens along the front of the building, installing a ramp up the entrance steps for the physically disabled, and putting in flower beds. The Museum thanks the combined efforts of the Merritton N.I.P. Committee as well as the Parks & Recreation Department, the Planning Department, and the Engineering Department of the City.

The Norfolk Historical Society's Eva, Brook Donly Museum is having its 5th annual **Long Point Genealogy Fair** on Saturday, October 3, 1981. Participants

with booths at the Fair include archives, publishers, booksellers, genealogical societies, libraries, museums, historical societies and the popular Renton Women's Institute bake sale.

For more information, write William Yeager, Curator, Eva Brook Donly Museum, 109 Norfolk St. South, Simcoe, Ontario N3Y 2W3. Ph.: (519) 426-1583.

The Aurora and District Historical Society is pleased to announce that the Laidlaw Foundation has donated \$5,000 to fund the restoration of **Hillary House**. It has also received \$5,000 from the Samuel and Saidye Bronfman Family Foundation with a pledge of a further \$5,000 in 1982.

The Haldimand Heritage Committee is campaigning to save a 380 million year old streak of sandstone near the small village of Clanbrassil, southwest of Hagersville. The Oriskany sandstone streak runs mostly underground through Ontario to New York State. The Heritage group is concerned that quarrying not be allowed on the streak, where various kinds of oak and hickory trees grow along with Wild Plum, Virginia Flax and prairie plants.

Information Wanted

The Ontario Historical Society, with support from the Ontario Ministry of Culture and Recreation, is undertaking a one-year study of the Province's material history. The long term goal of the study is to assist community museums, historical societies and other history-oriented groups, in identifying the significant industries and crafts of their regions so that they can develop guidelines for collecting and interpreting this material. Elizabeth Quance has been appointed as the Society's writer/researcher on this project.

The initial step in this project will be to prepare an annotated bibliography of Ontario's material history and a resource inventory of unpublished research, archival sources, locations of major collections relating to particular industries and crafts, and the names and addresses of resource persons. When the study is complete, a copy of the results will be made available to historical societies and museums through the Ministry of Culture and Recreation.

To make the inventory as complete as possible, we would appreciate your help. If you are doing research on any industry or craft in Ontario, or if you are aware of any publications or unpublished research on the crafts and industries of your area, please contact Elizabeth Quance at the Society's offices, (416) 486-1232, or write to her attention to: 78 Dunloe Road, Toronto, Ontario M5P 2T6

Upcoming Events

2nd Kingston Conference—Critical Issues in the History of Canadian Science, Technology and Medicine, November 6-8, 1981. Sponsored by the Canadian Society for the History of Science, Technology and Medicine.

For further information, contact Professor Richard A. Jarrell, Department of Natural Science, Atkinson College, York University, Downsview, Ont., M3J 2R7. It will include invited papers, work in progress sessions and historiographical workshops.

Enoch Turner Schoolhouse is offering a course this fall entitled **Toronto: The Victorian Scene, Aspects of Social History from 1840-1900**. Thursday evenings, Oct. 15-Dec. 3, 1981. Speakers will include Peter Goheen (author of *Victorian Toronto*), and Bill Dendy (School of Architecture, University of Toronto). Sessions will cover such topics as architecture, work, taverns and temperance, Victorian views of Canadian English, leisure, learning and dining traditions.

Registration is through George Brown College. For more information, call Lynn Kurylo, (416) 863-0010.

The 16th Annual Northern Great Plains History Conference will be held at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Oct. 8-10.

Interested scholars are invited to submit proposals for papers or complete sessions to James E. Spaulding, Dep't. of History, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota, U.S.A. 57069.

The 12th National Workshop of the Oral History Association will be held at the Radisson Hotel, Burlington, Vermont, September 24-25, 1981. The 16th National Colloquium of the Association will be held at the Radisson Hotel immediately following the Workshop, Sept. 25-27, 1981. The Workshop Director F. Gerald Handfield of the Indiana State Library, and the Colloquium Chairman is Donald Ritchie of the U.S. Senate Historical Office.

The National Workshop is an opportunity for intensive discussion and instruction in the methods and procedures of oral history for those new to oral history and for those occasional practition-

ers who wish to improve their knowledge and skills.

The development and uses of oral history, ethical and legal considerations, the art of interviewing, transcription, archival preservation, cataloguing and indexing are among the topics to be covered in depth.

For more information, write to: Ronald E. Marcello, Executive Secretary, Oral History Association, Box 13734, North Texas State University, Denton, Texas, U.S.A. 76203.

Great Expectations: The Visitor's View of Your Interpretive Program, Ninth National Workshop of Interpretation Canada Inc., November 4-8, 1981, at the Holiday Inn, Don Valley, Toronto, Ont.

For more information, write: Interpretation Canada, Box 2667, Postal Station D, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5W7. Phone: (613) 232-0313.

The Ontario Museum Association is holding the following seminars and courses:

Sept. 9-11, 1981 (Huntsville): The Historic Building as a Museum

Sept. 23-24 (Valhalla Inn, Kitchener): Publicity and Public Relations

Oct. 15-16 (Civic Square, Sudbury): Graphics

Oct. 23 (Macauley House, Picton): Interpreting the Historic Kitchen

Oct. 29 (Homewood, Prescott): Researching Your Collection

Nov. 10 (Ukrainian Museum of Canada, Toronto): Mounting Costumes

Nov. 11-13 (Ukrainian Museum of Canada, Toronto): Exhibit/Design

Nov. 25-27 (Canadian War Museum, Ottawa): Care of Collections

Dec. 4 (St. Catharines Historical Museum, St. Catharines): Care of Paper

For further information, please contact Cassie Palamar, Training Co-ordinator, Ontario Museum Association, (416) 923-3868.

Theatre 5 is presenting the play **Sir John A. Macdonald**, starring Gordon Robertson as Sir John. Theatre 5 is a touring

company from Kingston. This play has already been performed in Kingston, Brockville and Belleville. It will be at Ryerson Theatre in Toronto, November 2-5, 1981. Matinees and evening performances. An historically accurate story of Sir John A. Macdonald's upbringing and rise to power.

For further information, contact Ryerson Theatre at (416) 595-5088, or Karen Taylor, Assistant Business Manager, at (613) 546-5460.

The Ontario Black History Society has a travelling exhibit on black history in Ontario. It will be on display at the North American Black Historical Museum and Cultural Centre, 281 King St., Amherstburg, Ontario, from Aug. 1 to Oct. 4, 1981. It will continue to travel to five other centres in the next year.

For further information, please contact Lorraine Hubbard at (416) 447-6797.

The American Association for State and Local History is offering a seminar on the **Interpretation of History by Historical Societies and Museums**, Nov. 1-13, 1981, at Old Sturbridge Village, Sturbridge, Massachusetts, U.S.A.

For further information, write to Patricia A. Hall, Seminar and Consultant Service Co-ordinator, American Association for State and Local History, 1400 Eighth Avenue South, Nashville, Tennessee, U.S.A. 37203.

The Fourth North American Fur Trade Conference is being held at Grand Portage/Old Fort William, Thunder Bay, Ontario, from October 1-4, 1981. It marks the 250th anniversary of La Verendrye's landing and brings historians to this site to consider the significance of the fur trade and the opening of the North American interior to European commerce. Some of the sessions include "Pioneers of the Great Lakes Fur Trade", "The American Fur Company", "Indians in the Fur Trade", and "Life and the Fur Trade in Western Canada".

To register, write to: Fur Trade Conference, Minnesota Historical Society, James J. Hill House, 240 Summit Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota, U.S.A. 55102.

Local Societies Committee Report

Wesley B. Turner

Our Committee has been able to put on workshops because of the support of local people and of other members of the Executive, aided by Sandi Morton. The workshop in Thunder Bay on May 23rd was (and that in Sudbury will be) made possible by the financial support of the Ontario Heritage Foundation. Let me express my sincere appreciation.

Total attendance at the 1981 workshops, to date, has been 202, and they have resulted in at least 66 new members for the Society. I hope the Society will be able to retain these new members. This is one main reason that I believe it is worthwhile for the Committee to offer its services in areas where these are not usually available, such as the northern parts of Ontario.

The Committee's plans include putting on a writing workshop in Sudbury in September, co-sponsoring a workshop on the writing of local history in Smiths Falls in October, and possibly putting on an oral history workshop in Toronto late in 1981. Finally, I would like to express particular thanks to David Roberts, Elizabeth Arthur, and Sandi Morton, for their help this year.

From the Bookshelf

The Freedom Seekers: Blacks in Early Canada, by Daniel G. Hill, President, Ontario Black History Society. \$19.95 hardbound; \$12.95 paperbound. 256 pp., 250 illustrations. Order from The Book Society of Canada Limited, Box 200, Agincourt, Ontario M1S 3B6.

Robert Goulay, Gadfly: Forerunner of the Rebellion in Upper Canada 1837, by Lois Darroch Milani. 275 pp., \$12.95. Order from Consolidated Amethyst Communications Inc., Unit 310, 12 Crescent Town Road, Toronto, Ontario M4C 5L3.

Arts of the Salmon People, Catalogue from Exhibit, Museum of Northern British Columbia. Available by mail at \$3.50 an issue from: Museum of Northern British Columbia, Box 669, Prince Rupert, B.C. V8J 3S1.

Little Paradise, by Dr. Gottlieb Leibbrandt. 342 pp., 1980. \$19.95

hardbound, \$14.95 paperbound. Order from Allprint Co. Ltd., 70 Otonabee Dr., Kitchener, Ontario N2C 1L6.

Medicine for Heroes, by Dr. S.A. Holling, John Senior, Betty Clarkson and Donald A. Smith, will soon be available. \$8.95 per copy. Published by the Mississauga

South Historical Society with aid from the Ontario Heritage Foundation, printed by Boston Mills Press. For more information, write to Betty Clarkson, Mississauga South Historical Society, P.O. Box 452, Port Credit Postal Station, Mississauga, Ontario L5G 4M1.

Information Wanted

Professor J.K. Johnson is conducting a study of local leadership in Upper Canada. He would be grateful for biographical information, especially place and date of birth and death, occupation, religion, education, etc., about the following members of the Legislative Assembly of Upper Canada:

Atkinson, James (Kingston) M.L.A., Frontenac 1824-28
Caldwell, Francis (Amherstburgh) M.L.A., Essex 1834-41
Casey, Samuel (Adolphustown Twp.) M.L.A., Lennox & Addington 1820-24
Chesser, John (Caledonia Twp.) M.L.A., Prescott 1835-36
Clark, Matthew (Ernesttown) M.L.A., Lennox & Addington 1822-23
Coleman, Thomas (Belleville) M.L.A., Hastings 1824-28
Cornwall, John (Camden Twp.) M.L.A., Suffolk & Essex 1797
Cornwall, Joshua (Camden Twp.) M.L.A., Kent 1816-20
Cornwall, Nathan (Camden Twp.) M.L.A., Kent 1834-41
Detlor, George H. (Kingston) M.L.A., Lennox & Addington 1836-41
Dorland, Philip (Adolphustown) M.L.A., Prince Edward & Adolphustown 1792
Elliot, William (Sandwich) M.L.A., Essex 1830-34
Ewing, Benjamin (Haldimand Twp.) M.L.A., Northumberland 1825, 1828-30
Fraser, Donald (Perth) M.L.A., Lanark 1832
Gamble, Moses (Markham Twp.) M.L.A., Halton 1816-17
Hamilton, William (Hawksbury) M.L.A., Prescott & Russell 1820-21
Howard, Matthew, M.L.A., Leeds 1830-34, 1836
Howard, Peter (Matilda Twp.) M.L.A., Leeds 1804-12, 1816-20
Jones, David (Brockville) M.L.A., Leeds 1824-28, Brockville 1834-36
Lockwood, Joseph N. (Sydney Twp.) M.L.A., Hastings 1828-30
Lyons, James (Murray Twp.) M.L.A., Northumberland 1824-34
McCrae, William (Raleigh Twp.) M.L.A., Kent 1834-41
Macdonald, Archibald, M.L.A., Northumberland 1830-34
Macdonald, Donald, M.L.A., Prescott & Russell 1824-34
McMicking, Gilbert (Stamford Twp.) M.L.A., Lincoln (4th) 1834-41
Macon, Jean-Baptiste (Amherstburgh) M.L.A., Essex 1830-34
Marks, John B. (Kingston) M.L.A., Frontenac 1836-41
Merkley, Henry (Williamsburg Twp.) M.L.A., Dundas 1808-12
Moore, Elias (Yarmouth Twp.) M.L.A., Middlesex 1834-41
Peterson, Paul, M.L.A., Prince Edward 1820-30
Russell, William (Brockville) M.L.A., Leeds 1836
Rymal, Jacob (Barton Twp.) M.L.A., Wentworth 1834-36
Scollick, William (Dumfries Twp.) M.L.A., Halton 1824-28
Sherwood, Levi P. (Brockville) M.L.A., Leeds 1812-16, 1820-24
Sherwood, Samuel (Augusta Twp.) M.L.A., Grenville 1800-08
Strange, John (Kingston) M.L.A., Frontenac 1834-36
Tayler, Josias (Perth) M.L.A., Lanark 1834
Terry, William (Niagara) M.L.A., Lincoln (1st & 2nd) 1828-30
Waters, Charles (L'Orignal) M.L.A., Prescott 1834-36
Weager, Jacob (Williamsburg Twp.) M.L.A., Dundas 1800-04
Werden, Asa (Hallowell Twp.) M.L.A., Prince Edward 1830-34

Yager, Henry (Thurlow Twp.) M.L.A., Hastings 1834-36

Please write to J.K. Johnson, Department of History, Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario K1S 5B6.

New Members

Agincourt: G.L. Gillard
Almonte: Ms. Jean E. Macpherson
Chatham: Tecumseh Secondary School Library
Consecon: John Wannamaker
Greenbank: W.H. Graham
Grimsby: Mary S. Burnham
Guelph: Guelph Civic Museum, Rod MacDonald, John F. Ross C.V.I., Professor Owen Scott
Hamilton: Heather Bruce, H.E. Turner
Indian River: Jean Murray Cole
Ingleside: John Wilham
Islington: William J. Moffet
Kleinburg: Ruthanne Wilkie
London: Prof. R.D. Olling, Beatrice White, G.E. Wilson
Long Sault: U.E.L. Association, St. Lawrence Branch
Maple: Vaughan Public Libraries
Markdale: Dr. Jane Hamacher
Mississauga: Philip Pocock School
Niagara Falls: Peter McKenna

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Oakville: Mrs. Ann Boyer
Odessa: Ernestown Secondary School
Oshawa: Sybil C. Stirling
Ottawa: Jean-Michael Catia, Lise Gobeil, Dolores B. Greig, Donald McGillivray
Otterville: Mrs. Joyce Pettigrew
Owen Sound: Mrs. Melba Croft
Paisley: Reeve Andrew Cormack
Peterborough: Mrs. Susan Ebling, Fred and Shirley O'Grady
St. Catharines: Lloyd and Sylvia Bagley, Lynn Corby
Smiths Falls: Mrs. G.M. Macfarlane
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Mrs. Bruce McCutcheon, Michele Murdock, Patricia E. Stone, John Weiler
Westport: Mrs. Denise Watson

Halifax, Nova Scotia: Dr. C.T. Sinclair-Faulkner

Bremerton, Washington, U.S.A.: E. Douglas Lince

Information Wanted

Lois Darroch, author of *Robert Gourlay, Gadfly/Forerunner of the Rebellion in Upper Canada 1837*, is working on a third book. The tentative title is "Four Went to the Civil War", an epistolary novel based on authentic letters written from the United States by four Canadian brothers who served in various capacities during the Civil War years.

She has no authentic material on some who served on the opposite side, that of the South, beyond records of spies based in the Queen's Hotel in Toronto. If anyone has records of soldiers or teamsters who served on the side of the South, particularly those who went from the vicinity of Blenheim or Walsingham Townships, please write to her at the following address: Ms. Lois Darroch, 31 Christine Crescent, Willowdale, Ontario M2R 1A4.

Can anyone identify this hotel or its location?



Photo courtesy of Ontario Archives.

Of Interest

The Champlain Society is pleased to announce that a few memberships have become available and that application can be made to the Executive Secretary at the Society offices in the Royal York Hotel, 100 Front Street West, Toronto, Ontario M5J 1E3. Annual membership is \$25.00.

Founded in 1905, the Society has regularly published collections of edited documents, with extensive introductions, on many phases of Canadian society, exploration, politics, business and ethnology. Each volume is self contained, although some form a series on a special topic. Volumes in the general series are sent to members every year or so and in the Ontario Series about every two years.

The Regional History Committee of the Canadian Historical Association wishes to announce that it is soliciting nominations for its Certificate of Merit awards. These annual awards are given for meritorious publications, or for exceptional contributions by individuals or organizations to regional history. Nominations and supporting documentation for candidates who have a contribution to regional history within the Province of Ontario should be submitted before November 15, 1981 to: Colin Read, Huron College, London, Ontario K1S 5B6.

1980 Certificates of Merit were given to: Royce MacGillivray and Ewan Ross, *A History of Glengarry*; The Agricultural History of Ontario Seminar *Proceedings*, 1976-79. The *Proceedings* were edited in 1976-78 by Terry Crowley and in 1979 by Alan Brookes. The Seminars were held at the University of Guelph.

The private and personal papers of John M. Fisher, "Mr. Canada", have been left to the Archives of Ontario. Now completely catalogued, the collection is available for public use. It includes radio scripts and tapes, and research files on animals, people, communities, personalities and special events covering Fisher's broadcasting days from 1940 to 1971. Business papers deal with John Fisher Enterprises Ltd. Some personal material is also included in the collection, such as student essays, articles, souvenirs, citations, newspaper clippings, personal correspondence and papers from organizations and bodies on which Fisher served.

NEW OFFER!

Please note that we are offering a new option for subscribers to our quarterly journal *Ontario History*. As of January 1982, it will not be necessary to be a member of The Ontario Historical Society in order to subscribe to our journal. *Ontario History* will be available to non-members at a cost of \$15.00. Our 1982 membership rates will continue at \$12.00 for individuals/institutions, plus \$7.00 for *Ontario History*.

Wanted!

Furnishings for a Victorian urban schoolroom of the 1840-1860 period. We are looking for maps, globes, magic lantern, wall clock, abacus or numeral frame, games and toys, wooden blocks and textbooks.

Please contact Lynn Kurylo, Curator, Enoch Turner Schoolhouse, 106 Trinity St., Toronto, Ontario M5A 3C6. Phone: (416) 863-0010.