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Canada Sea-to-Sea Recreates Alexander Mackenzie's Expeditions

Canada Sea-to-Sea, The Sir Alexander Mackenzie Bicentennial Expeditions, 1989-1993, is a five-year project of reenactment expeditions, which will retrace and recreate the first recorded crossing of North America by a European. This series of journeys was first achieved by Sir Alexander Mackenzie between the years of 1789 to 1793. A Scottish fur-trader working for the North West Company, Mackenzie was the first European to record his crossing of Canada from sea to sea, linking the Atlantic with the Arctic and Pacific Oceans.

Mackenzie's first journey commenced on the morning of June 3, 1789, when he left Fort Chipewyan in Northeastern Alberta with four French Canadian voyageurs, two of their wives, a young German and several people of the First Nations engaged as hunters and interpreters. Mackenzie's purpose was to find a Northwest Passage but instead he succeeded in discovering the Mackenzie River which he explored to the Arctic Ocean. He returned to

Fort Chipewyan on September 12 of that same year.

Mackenzie decided to resume his journey to the elusive Northwest Passage in 1792 when he set out from Montreal, through what is now Ontario to Fort Chipewyan, then onto the Pacific Coast. On July 22, 1793, after great hardship, Mackenzie and his crew reached the Western Sea where Mackenzie indicated his arrival on a prominent rock in the Dean Channel west of Bella Coola, British Columbia.

The reenactment project commenced on May 22, 1989, when 27 university students, paddling authentic 26 foot canoes, arrived in Fort McMurray, Alberta, at the start of an 80-day expedition, retracing Mackenzie's 1789 route to the Arctic Ocean. A number of community events took place along the route and a major celebration was planned for Fort McMurray between May 22 to 25.

The objectives of *Canada Sea-to-Sea* include the education of young Canadians about their adventurous heritage and of the application of this "spirit of adventure" to modern life. Also the project will serve to generate interest in the creation of a National Heritage Trail, preserving and protecting the routes followed by Mackenzie so that they might be interpreted for and enjoyed by future generations of Canadians.

All events will be accomplished as authentically as possible, with the canoe brigades travelling and appearing as Mackenzie's crew would have

done 200 years ago. In each community visited, a programme of pageantry and theatrical events will take place, recreating the days of the fur trade. Visitations by school groups will be held and a wide variety of interpretive events will enable Canadians to consider the changes that have occurred in the past 200 years. An important emphasis will be placed on the role of the First Nations and the French Canadian Voyageurs, without whose help the original journeys would not have been possible.

1990 will focus on the educational and interpretive aspects of the expeditions. The year will serve to introduce Canadians to the three remaining years of the project when Mackenzie's voyage from Montreal to the Pacific Coast will be retraced. These educational and interpretive programmes will be designed by Old Fort William, a Province of Ontario reconstruction of the North West Company's inland headquarters located in what is now Thunder Bay on Lake Superior. In the early 19th Century, this fort was the pivotal point of a vast fur-trading empire stretching from the Gulf of St. Lawrence to the Arctic and Pacific Oceans.

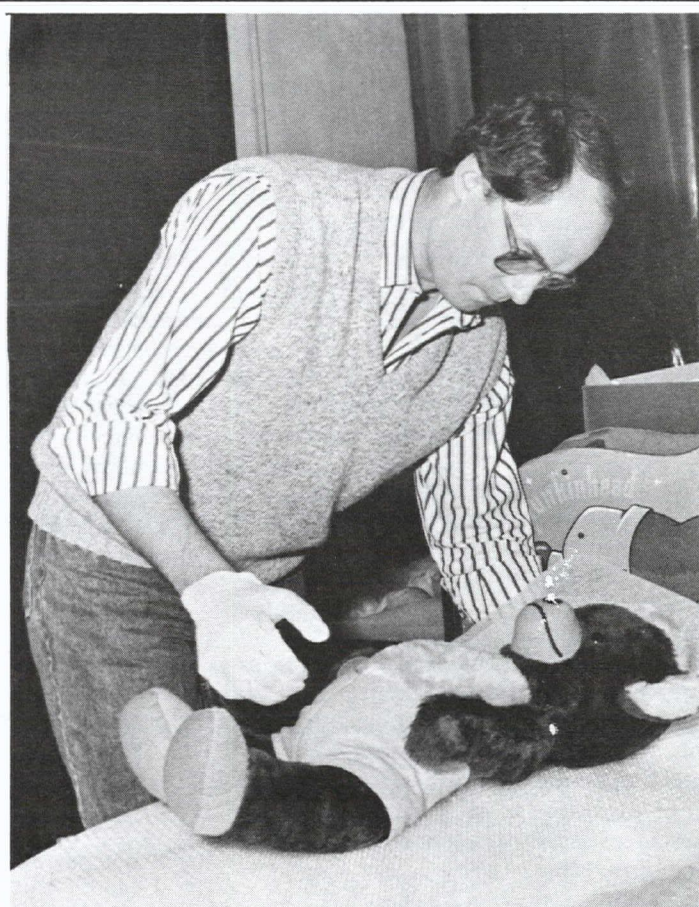
Also, the project officials plan to develop and distribute curriculum materials to schools throughout the country and dramatized documentaries will be aired nationally during the expedition years. Travelling interpretive exhibits are also being developed.

The Sir Alexander Mackenzie

Victuals and Values: An Evening of Food, Fantasy and Fun

The Ontario Historical Society will present a very special evening on November 10, 1989, at Black Creek Pioneer Village and we hope that you will join us. Victuals and Values: An Evening of Food, Fantasy and Fun, is sure to be an event you won't want to miss. The evening will begin with a heritage dinner, based on an authentic 19th century menu and recipes. An auction of antiques and collectibles will then take place. These items have been generously donated to The Society. There will be complimentary beverages

and lucky draws and the satisfaction of knowing that you are supporting a very worthy cause. All profits from the evening will go to support The Ontario Historical Society's History to Go programme, that serves hospitals, nursing homes and all those with special needs. Tickets are \$50.00 each and are all inclusive. To order your tickets, contact The Ontario Historical Society, 5151 Yonge Street, Willowdale, M2N 5P5, (416) 226-9011. A cheque or money order must accompany all orders.



Richard Gerrard of the Toronto Historical Board handles a 23" plush Pinkiehead toy from Eaton's extensive artifact collection which was donated to the City of Toronto. (Photo courtesy of the Toronto Historical Board.)

Bicentennial Expeditions project is an educational, non-profit joint venture involving three founding partners supported by a National Advisory Board of individuals from the public and private sectors.

The Alexander Mackenzie Trail Association is incorporated in the Province of British Columbia as a non-profit, charitable organization, dedicated to the "preservation, enhancement and interpretation" of Mackenzie's historic 1792-93 expedition route from Fort Chipewyan, Alberta to Bella Coola, British Columbia.

Lakehead University is a post-secondary educational institution, located in Thunder Bay, Ontario. In 1984, thirty-six outdoor recreation students and two instructors from the University retraced the voyageur route from Montreal to Thunder Bay, paddling replicas of fur trade canoes in order to celebrate the bicentennial anniversary of the founding of Ontario.

One Step Beyond Adventure

Group, a specialist in adventure promotional events, was founded in 1983 by the key organizers of Canada's first successful ascent of Mount Everest the previous year.

For further information on the bicentennial expeditions, please contact Dr. Jim Smithers, School of Outdoor Recreation, Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, Ontario, P7B 5E1 or One Step Beyond Adventure Group, Suite 203, 749 Railway Avenue, Box 990, Canmore, Alberta, T0L 0M0, (403) 678-5255.



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Executive Director's Report

By Dorothy Duncan
Executive Director

To Sault Ste. Marie in 1990: It's not too soon to note on your calendar that the 102nd Annual Conference of The Ontario Historical Society will be held in Sault Ste. Marie, May 10, 11, 12, 1990. The Holiday Inn has been chosen as the Conference Hotel and the theme will be "Children and Perceptions of Childhood". The Conference will trace the changing attitudes, artifacts and role of children in everyday life from the perspective of the First Nations to the present day. Plan now to attend this thought-provoking Conference.

Temiskaming-Abitibi Heritage Association

I had the opportunity to meet with representatives of many museums, historical societies, municipalities and interested individuals from the Temiskaming district in June in Englehart. There have been a number of meetings of this group in recent months to explore the benefits to be derived from an umbrella organization that will also assist and support the preservation and interpretation of heritage resources across the region. The interim executive is Paul Filteau, Kirkland Lake, Chairman; Dorothy Houston, Earlton, Secretary; and Patricia Wilson, Haileybury, Treasurer.

One of the first activities of the new organization will be to co-sponsor a workshop with The Ontario Historical Society at the Haileybury Mining School on January 20, 1990. The topic will be "Mining Before Mines" and will focus on the mining ac-

tivities of the First Nations and of the early explorers and adventurers coming into the region long before the prospectors and mining companies who developed the well known and productive mines of this century.

Provincial Historical Societies to Meet

Once again, representatives of the provincial historical societies across Canada will meet in conjunction with the Heritage Canada Conference in October in Vancouver. Wednesday, October 25 has been chosen as the day for provincial societies to exchange information and ideas, discuss the challenges of the next decade and strengthen links across Canada. This group first met in Quebec City in 1987, in Charlottetown last year and again anticipate a successful meeting. Details of the Heritage Canada Conference programme appear elsewhere in this issue of the Bulletin.

Forging the Links

The Heritage Saskatchewan Committee, a committee made up of representatives of each of the six provincial heritage organizations in Saskatchewan, is sponsoring a conference titled "Forging the Links" in Saskatoon, November 3, 4, and 5, 1989. I have been invited to participate in this Conference and am looking forward to "forging some links" myself.

Guelph to Host 1990 LACAC Conference

Plans are under way for the 1990 LACAC Conference to be held at the University of Guelph,

June 5, 6, 7, 8, 1990. The programme will include tours of historically and architecturally significant buildings, technical training workshops, panel discussions and lectures.

A feature of the Conference will be a Marketplace of Publications, Products, Ideas and Services co-ordinated by The Ontario Historical Society. Plan now to attend the Conference and the Marketplace for, whether you are a member of a LACAC or not, the Marketplace will provide you with a good deal of information about historical resources available to all those working in the preservation field in Ontario.

Notions and Nostalgia

Circle Sunday, September 17, on your calendar so that you can attend Notions and Nostalgia, a sale of useful and decorative items sponsored by The Ontario Historical Society at Black Creek Pioneer Village. This event will be part of the Village Fall Fair, an old-time agricultural fair, featuring baked goods, preserves, 19th century farm animals and more.

Funds raised by The Ontario Historical Society at Notions and Nostalgia will support the History to Go programme of the Society. We are looking for donors and buyers so call us in advance if you have something to donate, and plan to attend as a buyer as well.

The preceding day, September 16, Black Creek Pioneer Village hosts the 33rd Annual Pioneer Festival featuring Pennsylvania German and Mennonite home made foods and crafts.



At its March 7, 1989 meeting The York Pioneer and Historical Society dedicated its new flag to the memory of the late J. Andrew Martin, president of the Society from 1980 to 1982. Left to right are Ms. Brook Jarvis, Executive, YPHS; and Helen and John Martin, parents of the late J. Andrew Martin. (Photo courtesy of L.M. Payne.)

York Pioneers' Flag Flies Again

After a hiatus of over 50 years, The York Pioneer and Historical Society once again has a flag. The original flag, the red design with "YORK PIONEER" in white letters, was carried by the Pioneers when they posed for their famous "ox cart" picture in August, 1879. At that time they were preparing to ride to the CNE grounds to assemble the Scadding and the York Pioneer log cabins. Subsequently, the flag was displayed at all official functions, and was flown at half-staff from St. Lawrence Hall to mark the passing of a YPHS member.

The new flag is copied from an artist's drawing which appeared in issues of the Society's

journal *The York Pioneer* between 1913 and 1918. Slight differences in the placement of the lettering from the 1879 flag suggest that the original flag had been replaced at least once.

At the March 7, 1989 meeting, the new flag was dedicated to the memory of the late J. Andrew Martin, president of The York Pioneer and Historical Society 1980-1982.

Although it will no longer fly over St. Lawrence Hall, the York Pioneer flag will be flown at all YPHS functions, and will be displayed at The Scadding Cabin (on the CNE grounds) during the Exhibition from mid-August to Labour Day.

Haileybury Heritage Festival



One of the attractions of the Haileybury Heritage Festival was the parade, in which many local organizations, institutions, business firms and individuals took part. The parade was followed by a magnificent display of fireworks.

The first annual Heritage Festival held in the Town of Haileybury on June 23, 24, 25, drew large and enthusiastic crowds to the busy programme of events. There were pipers, bands, music, dancing, a pet show, a talent show, a parade, Art in the Park, superb fireworks, and dozens of displays and exhibits. The Ontario Historical Society was

pleased to participate in this event by presenting four workshops that highlighted the traditional foods of the First Nations, Franco-Ontarians, the English and the Scottish settlers. We also prepared a cookery book of the foods prepared and presented at the four workshops. The booklet is called *Haileybury Heritage Festival Recipes*, available from The Ontario Historical

Society, for \$2.00 per copy including postage.

As the Festival drew to a close on Sunday evening, the organizing committee, under the chairmanship of Bud Shaver, Councillor for the Town of Haileybury, was already making plans for next year's Festival. Well done Haileybury!

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President's Message

By Colin Read
OHS President

It was my privilege to be voted president of The Ontario Historical Society at the Society's recent meetings in Ottawa. Whatever qualms I may have had about accepting the post were related to my own deficiencies than to the health and vitality of the Society. Indeed, the Society has never been more vibrant and robust than today.

In his presidential address at the Ottawa meetings, John Bonser pointed to the many and varied activities of the Society as proof of its strength. The workshops, History-to-Go, the Young Ontario programme, the publication of the *OHS Bulletin* and *Ontario History*, the activities of the Society's many committees, and much more, all provide eloquent testimony to the Society's strength and energy. That strength and energy flow in the first instance from a membership, now numbering over 3,000, who have a commitment to the preservation and exploration of Ontario's past and who pursue that commitment in their communities throughout the province.

Dorothy Duncan, her excellent staff, and the many who volunteer their time and services to the Society help both to channel the energies of the membership and to develop new initiatives and programmes. Without them the OHS would be bereft, little more than a social club or sounding board for like-minded people.

The officers and other

members of the Board of Directors establish the Society's long range goals, set the immediate agenda, and help with administration. Unpaid, their reward comes from contributing to the Society's work and seeing the OHS flourish. It has been this side of the Society, the Board and its activities, that I know best. I have been impressed with the amount of time and effort that members of the Board have been prepared to invest in the Society's activities. They deserve a hearty vote of thanks. Yet, as I have indicated, their contributions are far from unique. From the membership, to the office staff, to the Board there is a solid sense of purpose and commitment and a willingness to devote time and effort to further the Society's heritage activities.

The picture, then, is a rosy one.

Yet, all is not sweetness and light. We do have some problems. Some are very specific. High on the list of these is the search for new office space. The building in which we are presently housed is scheduled for demolition sometime in the not-too-distant future. Its generous owner has been giving us a bargain on the rent, a bargain we're unlikely to find elsewhere. The Board negotiated for some time with the Ontario Heritage Foundation over tenancy of George Brown House near the Art Gallery of Ontario in downtown Toronto. This would have given us beautiful offices in a prestigious heritage building, but the Board decided that the rent,

and other considerations asked for, were too high and too extensive. Had we taken space in George Brown House, we would have had to sacrifice some existing programmes to pay our rent and meet new obligations. This the Board would not do. Unfortunately, we have no other office space "lined up" and continue to search for suitable, affordable quarters.

Our dilemma here speaks to a more general problem bedeviling voluntary organizations — money. There never seems to be enough of it. The Society, under the eagle eye of its Treasurer, James Clemens, has been eminently responsible with its money, and as our annual statement shows, we have nearly a balanced budget, operating with just a small deficit last year.

But as our plight over office space also shows, we have to be frugal — in the case of office rents, hoping to pay less than market rates.

The budget, a situation of limited funds, suggests another problem — that the resources available to run the Society's programmes are finite. With the welcome growth of heritage concerns in the wider community the Society could, if it had unlimited human resources and capital, continue to expand its activities almost indefinitely. But it doesn't. One of the thorny questions that the Society will have to wrestle with, then, is the limits to growth.

What are our core programmes? What programmes or activities will we offer no matter what? What would we like to do

that we are not now doing? What would we like to do more often than we are now doing? What are we now doing that we could do less often or not at all? What kind of proposed projects are we not interested in doing? These are hard questions that go to the heart of the Society's *raison d'être*. And these are the sorts of questions that the Society will have to deal with increasingly in the future as the membership demands ever more services and as governments seek co-operative partners for ever more programmes.

Of course, if you have problems, these are just the sort you want — those associated with growth and expansion! Accordingly, I look forward to a stimulating year as president of the Society.



Farewell and Welcome

At the OHS' 1989 Annual Conference in May in Ottawa, Dr. Colin Read (left) of London was elected president of the Society. He succeeds John Bonser (right) of Brockville who filled the capacity for 1988-89. (Photo courtesy of Jean Harding.)

The Ontario Historical Society Welcomes New Members

Beardmore: Melinda Tumber
Bothwell: Bridget Wranich
Don Mills: Michelle Garrett; F. LaBell; Bruce K. and L. Diane Laird
Elora: Anita Stewart
Glenburnie: Paul Banfield
Gravenhurst: Ruth Dundas
Guelph: Andrea Rapitta
Haileybury: Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Wilson

Hamilton: Dennis Missett
Ingleside: Patricia McEwan
Kilworthy: Lois Hastings; Jean Kerr
Kitchener: Archivist, J.M. Schneider Inc.

Lakefield: Lakefield Historical Society

Latchford: Rita McDermid
London: Grant M. Maltman; Bonnie Wright

Markham: Ian K. Woods
Mississauga: David J. Nash; Mr. and Mrs. William A. Wood
Mount Hope: Mount Hope LACAC

Niagara Falls: Peter Warden
Niagara-on-the-Lake: Ontario Marine Heritage Committee

Oakville: Roy D. Brett
Ottawa: B. Atamanenko and B. Chettleborough; J.M. Coxon; Frances R. Dent; Susan Jenkins; Pierre W. Paquin

Peterborough: Sandy Fice
Pickering: United Empire Loyalists - Upper Canada Branch; Joan Vermeersch

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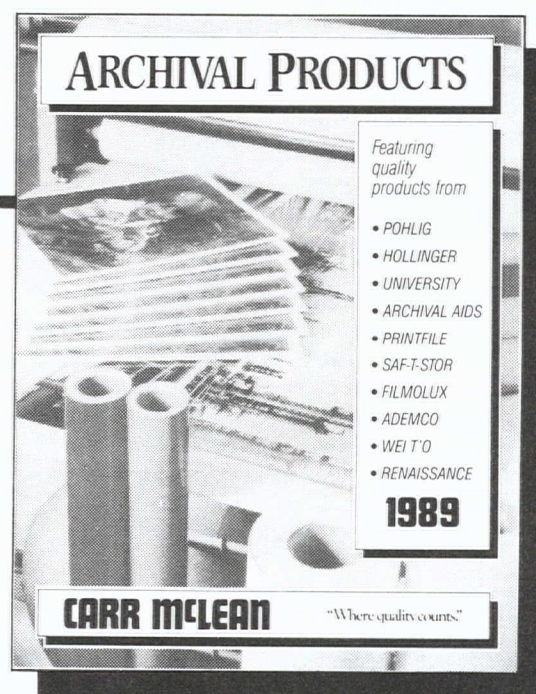
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Upcoming Events

June 24 - October 22: Toronto Sporting Sites Past and Present is the theme of an exhibition at the Market Gallery. Famous and forgotten sporting places in Toronto are remembered in this display of historical photographs, artifacts, maps and architectural plans. Contact the Market Gallery, Second Floor, South St. Lawrence Market, 95 Front Street East, Toronto, M5E 1C2, (416) 392-7604.

September, October, November, December: Black Creek Pioneer Village features a variety of events and activities including the exhibit Bonnets and Bows, a collection of former fashion accessories and Christmas in the Village, running from November 18 to December 24. Contact Black Creek Pioneer Village, 1000 Murray Ross Parkway, Downsview, M3J 2P3, (416) 736-1733.

September 14-17: The Canadian Centre for Livable Places of The Heritage Canada Foundation is sponsoring **Consensus**, a symposium on managing development and preservation conflicts. The Conference is being held at Kingston City Hall. Contact John Weiler, Director, The Canadian Centre for Livable Places, The Heritage Canada Foundation, Box 1358, Station B, Ottawa, K1P 5R4, (613) 237-1066.

September 15-16: The Ottawa Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society is hosting a workshop focusing on the pioneers of Renfrew County. The two day programme is being held in Calvin Church Hall, Pembroke. Contact Brian O'Regan, Programme Co-ordinator, Ottawa Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society, Box 8346, Ottawa, K1G 3H8, (613) 230-2852.

September 15-17: The Aylmer and District Museum is sponsoring a **Wildfowl Art Festival** at the Old Town Hall, John Street North in Aylmer. Activities include demonstrations and exhibitions of sculpture, painting and woodcarving, as well as musical entertainment. Contact Pat Zimmer at the Museum, 14 East Street, Aylmer, N5H 1W2, (519) 773-9723.

September 16: **Reaping and Feasting** is the title of an herbal workshop presented by Campbell House. The programme features harvesting and preserving herbs for culinary use. Contact Campbell House, 160 Queen Street West, Toronto, M5H 3H3 (416) 597-0227



The Market Gallery of the City of Toronto Archives presents Toronto Sporting Sites Past and Present until October 22, 1989. Here cheerleaders cheer on their team at a Varsity Stadium game circa 1950. (Photo courtesy of City of Toronto Archives, SC 257.)

September 17: The OHS is holding a **Notions and Nostalgia Sale** at the Visitors Centre, Black Creek Pioneer Village between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Proceeds go to the Society's History to Go programme. Donations to the sale are welcome. Contact the OHS, 5151 Yonge Street, Willowdale, M2N 5P5 (416) 226-9011.

September 30: The Grimsby LACAC is sponsoring **Recreating and Preserving Our Heritage**, a day-long seminar in the Parish Hall of Saint Andrews Anglican Church in Grimsby. The event features heritage tours, technical sessions and stimulating presentations. Contact Dorothy Turcotte, Chairman, Grimsby LACAC, c/o The Town of Grimsby, 160 Livingston Avenue, Box 159, Grimsby, L3M 4G3, (416) 945-8042 or Keith Vogl at (416) 945-9634.

September 30 - October 1: The Grenville County Historical Society is presenting its **17th Annual Antique Show and Sale** at the South Grenville District High School in Prescott. The hours are from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on September 30 and from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on October 1. Admission is \$2.50. Contact the Historical Society, Box 982, Prescott, K0E 1T0, (613) 348-3560.

October 7-9: Sharon Temple is hosting its annual **Thanksgiving Harvest Festival**. Costumed interpreters exhibit open hearth cooking, cider making and blacksmithing. The York Spinners demonstrate spinning and natural dyeing. A choral concert is performed by the York Classics Ensemble. Contact Sharon Temple, 18062 Leslie Street, Sharon, L0G 1V0, (416) 478-2389.

October 18-22: The Ontario Museum Association is holding its Annual Conference **Rendez-Vous North '89** at the Ramada Inn, North Bay. French programming and English publications are among the topics to be discussed. Contact Pam Handley, Co-Chairman, Rendez-Vous North '89, North

Bay Area Museum Box 628, North Bay, P1B 8J5, (705) 476-2323.

October 26-28: The Heritage Canada Foundation is holding its **16th Annual Conference, Diversitas**, at Hotel Vancouver, Vancouver, British Columbia. The Conference addresses the topic of understanding and planning for cultural diversity in the built environment of our towns and cities. Contact Diversitas, The Heritage Canada Foundation, 306 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa, K2P 1S2 or call 1-800-267-6670.

October 28: The Wellington County Museum and Archives is presenting its fifth annual **Genealogy and Local History Fair** from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Fair features guest speakers and a marketplace of publications, special exhibits and craft demonstrations. Contact the Wellington County Museum and Archives, R.R. #1, Fergus, N1M 2W3, (519) 846-0916.

October 28 - February 25, 1990: The Market Gallery is presenting an exhibition of photographs, paintings, documents and artifacts recounting **Toronto's contribution to the war effort**, and the impact of these events on the City's development and character. Contact the Market Gallery, Second Floor, South St. Lawrence Market, 95 Front Street East, Toronto, M5E 1C2, (416) 392-7604.

November 7 - January, 1990: The Christmas Exhibition at the Chatham-Kent Museum is entitled **It's a Teddy Bear Christmas**. Contact the Chatham Cultural Centre, 75 William Street North, Chatham, N7M 4L4, (519) 354-8338.

November 10: To support its History to Go programme, the OHS is presenting **Victuals and Values: An Evening of Food, Fantasy and Fun**. The evening event offers an opportunity to purchase antiques and collectibles and enjoy a 19th Century supper. Tickets must

be purchased in advance at a cost of \$50.00, which is all inclusive. Contact the OHS, 5151 Yonge Street, Willowdale, M2N 5P5, (416) 226-9011.

November 12-25: The Banff Centre School of Management in Alberta is presenting **Museum and Art Gallery Management**. This 10-day course helps professionals from museums, artist-run spaces, art galleries and other heritage organizations develop their people, marketing and organizational skills. Contact Arts Management Programmes, The Banff Centre, Box 1020, Banff, Alberta, T0L 0C0, (403) 762-6121.

November 13 - December 22: The Bradley Museum is decorated for the festive season during its **Backwoods Christmas** event. Contact the Bradley Museum, c/o Mississauga Heritage Foundation, 300 City Drive, Suite, 2101, Mississauga, L5B 3C1 or call (416) 822-4884.

November 16 - December 17: The Homer Watson House and Gallery is exhibiting **Gifts of Christmas Past**, a display of antique dolls, toys and games. Contact the House at 1754 Old

Mill Road, Kitchener, N2P 1H7, (519) 748-4377.

November 16 - July 29, 1990: **Into the Heart of Africa** opens at the Royal Ontario Museum. The exhibit presents a unique opportunity to explore the Museum's substantial but rarely seen African collection. Contact the ROM, 100 Queen's Park, Toronto, M5S 2C6, (416) 586-5549.

November 18: Campbell House presents **Crafting and Keeping**, the last in its series of herbal workshops. Delicately scented crafts such as pot-pourris, sachets, wreaths and candles are made. Contact Campbell House, 160 Queen Street West, Toronto, M5H 3H3, (416) 597-0227.

December 2-3: The Port Colborne Historical and Marine Museum is featuring a homespun celebration of the season at its **Christmas Festival**. Homemade chocolates, decorations, fresh garland and wreaths are for sale plus a variety of other activities. Contact the Museum, 280 King Street, Box 572, Port Colborne, L3K 5X8, (416) 834-7604.

Upcoming OHS Workshops

DATE	WORKSHOPS	LOCATION
September 16	An Introduction to Furnishing an Historic Building	Stoney Creek
September 16	The Heritage of Ontario Cemeteries	Underwood
September 23	Restoring Your Own Home	Kingston
September 30	Milestones in 19th Century Family Life	North York (The Gibson House)
October 14	The Heritage of Ontario Cemeteries	Arnprior
October 21	Deck the Halls	London
October 28	Restoring Your Own Home	Vandorf
October 28	Making It Look Good: Displays, Graphics and Labels	Niagara-on-the-Lake
October 28	Caring for Your Photographic Heritage: Preventative Conservation Measures	Peterborough
November 18	Serve it Forth!	North Bay
December 10	Serve it Forth!	Metropolitan Toronto (Black Creek Pioneer Village)

For information on these workshops and for registration forms, please contact The Ontario Historical Society, 5151 Yonge Street, Willowdale, Ontario M2N 5P5 (416) 226-9011.

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Demography and the Timber Trade Featured in Ontario History

By Laurel Sefton
MacDowell
Editor, *Ontario History*

On January 30th, 1890, the Brockville *Weekly Recorder* lamented, "There are thousands upon thousands of Canadian newspapers going into the United States each week, to people who should be living in Canada...". In the September issue of *Ontario History*, Professor Randy Widdis of the University of Regina takes a detailed look at Canadian migration patterns in the last decade of the nineteenth century, when migration to the United States amounted to 1.11 million persons while immigration amounted to only 900,000 persons resulting in a loss of over 200,000 individuals. He focuses on a group of Eastern Ontarians who migrated to New York State. Whereas the Canadian government pretended that there was no problem, in the local newspapers, town halls and Farmers' Institutes, the subject received a great deal of attention

and evoked strong emotions. It makes for interesting reading!

James Angus of Lakehead University introduces our readers to Indian Chief Michel Dokis, who over 100 years ago led his small band in their refusal to allow lumbermen to harvest the valuable timber on their tiny reserve on the French River. While other Indian bands in the north were willing to surrender their timber for an amount equal to the sale price set by the Ontario government, Dokis and his band refused, for over 30 years, to allow the federal government to sell their timber to anyone.

Dokis's continued obstinacy in the matter made him the nemesis of lumbermen, Indian Affairs officials, and politicians, all of whom tried various forms of argument, bribery, threat and deception to pry the timber away from the Chief's control. The current trend of peoples of the First Nations and naturalists to resist logging operations on the few remaining stands of virgin timber in Canada is not a new phenomenon.

A Future for Our Past

We invite you to come and take a behind the scenes look at some of our historic sites this fall and discover the varying uses for our built heritage in Toronto. This series, co-sponsored by Toronto's First Post Office and the Enoch

Turner Schoolhouse, begins Wednesday, October 4, 1989 and will be six weeks in duration. For further information, please contact Jane Macaulay Sutton at The Schoolhouse, 106 Trinity Street, Toronto, M5A 3C6, (416) 863-0010.



At its Annual Banquet in Ottawa in May, the OHS presented its 1988 Awards. Some recipients of these honours were (l to r): Barbara Sprague for the Lake of the Woods Museum, recipient of the Scadding Award of Excellence; Margaret Machell who received the Carnochan Award; James Keith Johnson, winner of the Cruikshank Gold Medal; Dean Jacobs representing the Walpole Island First Nation who received the Joseph Brant Award; and Doreen Hirsch of the Historical Society of Ottawa who accepted the Fred Landon Award on behalf of Dr. John Taylor. (Photo courtesy of Jean Harding.)

1988 Award Winners Honoured

By Beth Hanna
Chairman,
1988/89 Honours and
Awards Committee

At its Annual Banquet held in Ottawa on May 6, 1989, The Ontario Historical Society honoured its 1988 award winners.

Professor James Keith Johnson was awarded the Cruikshank Gold Medal for his years of dedicated service on behalf of The Ontario Historical Society. Professor Johnson, a former President of the OHS, is a Professor of history at Carleton University.

The Carnochan Award was presented to Margaret Machell for her generous contribution of both time and knowledge to the

heritage community in Ontario and beyond.

Professor Peter Oliver, of York University, received the Riddell Award for his article "A Terror to Evil Doers: The Central Prison and the 'Criminal Class' in Late Nineteenth Century Ontario", published in *Patterns of the Past*.

The Joseph Brant Award, for the best work on Ontario's cultural development, was presented to the Walpole Island First Nation, Nin.Da.Waab.Jig., for their book *Walpole Island: The Soul of Indian Territory*. This is a major study of the regional history of the aboriginal people of the Walpole Island-Lake St. Clair area.

Professor John H. Taylor, of Carleton University, was award-

ed the Fred Landon Award for his book *Ottawa: An Illustrated History*. This award recognizes books which represent a fresh and innovative approach to the study of a community or regional history.

The Scadding Award of Excellence was presented to the Lake of the Woods Museum in Kenora, for its continuing efforts to preserve and interpret the rich heritage of that region.

The B. Napier Simpson Jr. Award of Merit was awarded to the Town of Almonte and Township of Ramsay LACAC in recognition of its efforts to promote a better understanding of heritage conservation through a variety of enthusiastic and creative programmes.

The President's Award was given to Sears Canada Inc. to acknowledge their generous annual donation of volumes of the *Dictionary of Canadian Biography* to all Canadian high schools, a project which has been ongoing since 1967.

The Ontario Historical Society salutes these worthy award winners. Each has made an outstanding contribution to the preservation of the heritage of this province. Their efforts have not gone unnoticed.

CHP Heritage Centre

Cumberland Terrace,
Toronto

From November 29 to January 6, 1990, the OHS will present a major exhibition on the 1837 Rebellion. The exhibit will be accompanied by lectures and publications. For details, call the OHS, (416) 226-9011.

Across the Province

The Cannington and Area Historical Society held its **Cannington Village Annual Quilt and Craft Sale** on August 12 and 13. The two day event at the Community Centre featured exhibitors selling their hand-made crafts; artisans demonstrating their skills; a display of both old and new quilts, many of which were for sale; and a quilt raffle.

Hutchison House Museum in Peterborough celebrated the birthday of Martha Hutchison by offering its first **Scottish Tea** of the season on July 2. Guests enjoyed homemade scones and oatcakes, preserves and whipped cream and pots of tea. Early Victorian games of skill were also featured.

As part of Heritage Week '89, the Clarke Township Museum and Archives in Orono and the Port Granby-Newcastle Environment Committee co-sponsored a heritage concert featuring **Tanglefoot** on June 1 at the Clarke High School. The group of heritage performers presented a dual programme of songs and stories: "Mosquitoes, Mudholes and Rebels" depicting early life in Upper Canada and "Ooze River Blues", which told the story of a misused river.

On July 16, Dundurn Castle in Hamilton hosted its second annual **Microcosm**, a demonstra-

tion, show and sale of 19th century crafts.

An **Antique Clock Identification clinic** was presented by the Hamilton Museum of Steam and Technology on June 18. James Connell, co-author of the book *The Canada and Hamilton Clock Companies*, identified visitors' clocks and gave tips on their care.

The **Ontario Genealogical Society** hosted a very successful Annual Conference at the University of Waterloo in June with approximately 500 participants. The 1990 Annual Conference will be held at Trent University in Peterborough.

The Ontario Historical Society helped young people delight in **Summer Past Times, Play Times** at Black Creek Pioneer Village in August. Every Tuesday of that month, the Society held a special programme in the Town Hall at the Village and on the Village green. The programme offered young people a chance to try on reproduction pioneer costumes to make an old-fashioned toy and to play some of the simple but pleasureable games that children of years gone by enjoyed.

Beginning in May and running through to August, TVOntario presented an opportunity to discover **archaeology from the ground up**. Through five one-half hour programmes,

viewers were able to gain a basic understanding of the skills and techniques of archaeology.

Lang Pioneer Village near Keene, Ontario presented a **Trappers' Rendezvous** on June 18. The event reenacted how an actual rendezvous would have taken place. After a winter in the bush, pioneer trappers and their families would gather together, pitch their tents and trade goods. Special fathers' day activities also complimented the event.

High school students had the opportunity to experience **hands-on history** and earn a senior history credit this summer at an archaeological excavation of a prehistoric First Nation's village near Woodbridge, Ontario. From July 30 to August 19, students learned archaeological theory, excavation techniques, cultural practices, artifact analysis and subsistence skills. The school is sponsored by the North York Board of Education in co-operation with the Town of Vaughan, the Royal Ontario Museum and the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.

From August 13 to 17, the Canadian Parks and Recreation Association presented "**Of Many New Initiatives**" OMNI '89 in Hamilton, Ontario. The conference focused on the challenge of harmonizing with the environment. Featured

was well-known singer/songwriter, John Denver, who gave the opening address.

The **75th Anniversary of White River's Famous Bear**, who later became the inspiration for Winnie the Pooh, was celebrated in White River, August 25 and 26. The event, co-sponsored by The Ontario Historical Society, White River District Historical and the Municipality of White River, featured a parade, a teddy bear display, lectures and a Teddy Bear picnic.

The new **Canadian Museum of Civilization** opened its doors to the public with a day full of festivities on June 29. The building, with its striking architecture, houses artifacts of national significance and features exhibits with music, dance and theatre. The Museum is located in Hull, Quebec across the Ottawa River from Parliament Hill.

Peter Handley of North Bay was honoured at the Annual North Bay Sports Hall of Fame Dinner when Fred Gibbons, representing Ontario's Ministry of Tourism and Recreation presented him with an award from the Ministry. The inscription read "Corps D'Elite Ontario Regional Award presented by The Ontario Ministry of Tourism and Recreation to Peter Handley in recognition of your outstanding voluntary con-

tribution to the development of recreation in the Province of Ontario", and signed by Hugh O'Neil, Minister. Our congratulations go out to Peter for this honour, and to his wife Pam, Curator of the North Bay Area Museum, and our grateful thanks for his support and interest in heritage activities as well in the region.

Old City Hall in Toronto, the York County Court House, was recognized in June by The Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada. The ceremony began with music by the Royal Regiment Quintet followed by the proclamation by Frank Knight, Scarborough Town Crier. Among the speakers were Professor Thomas H.B. Symons, Chairman of Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, His Worship Mayor Art Eggleton, City of Toronto, and The Honourable David MacDonald, M.P., representing The Honourable Lucien Bouchard, Minister of the Environment. Mike Filey, journalist and historian, provided historical background and the Fort York Guard, historical colour. Several of the speakers noted the excitement and controversy generated by the Old City Hall, built between 1889 and 1899 by local architect E.J. Lennox, just as the Skydome is generating excitement and controversy a century later.

Museum News

Rendez-Vous North '89 Update

By Pam Handley
Co-Chairman,
Rendez-Vous North '89

The canoes have been checked and waterproofed, the bundles of trade goods have been tied up, the course has been charted and we are just about set to begin the journey to North Bay to rendez-vous with all the other Ontario museum voyageurs. We must be in North Bay at the Ramada Inn on Lakeshore Drive from October 18 to 22 for the Ontario Museum Association's Annual Conference.

Following a pre-conference seminar, the Conference will begin with a plenary session on Friday, October 20. The session will address "The Impact of the French Language on the Museum Community". Guest panelists will be Leo Desmarreau, Ministry of Culture and Communications, Toronto; Jamie Hunter, Huronia Museum, Midland; Gaetan Gervais, Laurentian University, Sudbury; Karen Bachmann, Timmins Museum; a representative from the Royal Ontario Museum and moderator, Diane Labelle Davey of the Ministry of Culture and Communications' regional office in Sudbury.

Participants will then break into concurrent sessions. Barry

Penhale of Natural Heritage/Natural History Inc. will discuss "Heritage Publishing and How to Do It". Father Germain Lemieux of Laurentian University will conduct a session in French on "Interpreting French Canadian Folklore". Dianna Thompson of the Canadian Museums Association will also speak on "The Museums Labour Force in Canada - Current Status and Emerging Needs".

The Saturday, October 21 plenary session will focus on "The Role of Museums and Municipalities". Concurrent sessions will follow featuring Gillian Watts of the Ministry of Culture and Communications in Toronto discussing the results of a recent conservation survey. Judy Logan of the Canadian Conservation Institute, Ottawa, will address "Archaeological Material - Aspects of Care and Preservation". Joanne Lea of Muskoka Pioneer Village will discuss "Defining Terms: The Pioneers and Other Myths; or Developing an Interpretation and Education Plan". The topic of "Franco-Ontarian Archives in Ontario" will be addressed by Jean Yves Pelletier of La Société Franco-Ontarienne D'Histoire et de Genealogie.

The first session on Sunday, October 22, presented by Linda Hamilton of the Thunder Bay Historical Museum Society, will concentrate on "Reflections of Glory - Religious Treasures that Tell a Story". Dorothy Duncan of the OHS will lead one concurrent session on "Fur Traders' Fare" while Ken Doherty, president of the OMA, will give an update on POLARIS.

The entertainment and food at the Conference will be exciting and mouthwatering. A display of dance will be presented by the North Bay Indian Friendship Centre and a more traditional demonstration will be featured at the Number 10 Indian Reserve, Garden Village. There will be a tour to Sturgeon River House Museum in Sturgeon Falls; "Museumkado II", a satire on life in the museum field; and a presentation by Old Fort William, Thunder Bay, on "The Voyageur in the North West Company". Saturday evening will be capped off with a dance.

For further information on the OMA's Annual Conference, please contact Pam Handley, Co-Chairman, Rendez-Vous North '89, North Bay Area Museum, Box 628, North Bay, P1B 8J5, (705) 476-2323.



The Toronto Branch of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada donated two rare War of 1812 medals to the Toronto Historical Board in a ceremony at Historic Fort York on April 23, 1989. (Photo courtesy of the Toronto Historical Board.)

Help OHS Spread Message of History to Go!

By Cathy Febbraro
History to Go Co-ordinator

The Ontario Historical Society is looking for organizations interested in co-hosting one of its mini-workshops about History to Go, an outreach programme which the Society takes out to special groups such as hospital patients, nursing home residents, seniors' centres, etc. History to Go was developed in response to the growing demand for recreational and educational programmes requested by institutions serving people with

special needs.

The mini-workshops are 1½ to 2 hours long and focus on how heritage organizations and institutions can reach out to their own communities, by developing their own History to Go programmes.

If you would like to co-host a mini-workshop at your institution or if you want to attend the next workshop in your area, contact Cathy Febbraro, History to Go Co-ordinator, The Ontario Historical Society, 5151 Yonge Street, Willowdale, M2N 5P5, (416) 226-9011.

Attention Calendar Collectors

By Mark Jackman
Curator, Clarke
Township Museum
and Archives

They're here and they're GREAT! As a special fundraising project the Clarke Museum Fundraising Committee has selected 19 photographs from the Museum's Archives and created a sixteen month calendar. This beautiful calendar runs from September, 1989 to December, 1990. Printed on light gray stock, the 8x10 photographs depict people, places and events in Clarke and Darlington Townships from the 1800's through to 1934! These fantastic wall calendars will not last. A gift for yourself, a wonderful gift for others!

All proceeds from the sale of the Calendars goes directly to the Clarke Museum Capital Expansion (building fund). Get yours today and help us make the dream a reality. The time is now!

Calendars are available at the Museum shop during regular Museum hours Monday to Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. The number of Calendars is limited so don't delay!

The Calendars cost \$13.95 (+ PST). For more information/orders, call the Museum at (416) 983-9243 or write Box 152, ORONO, Ontario L0B 1M0.

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You Can Still Apply

By Rob Leverty
Co-ordinator, History of
Ontario's Peoples
Programme

The History of Ontario's Peoples Grant Programme is designed to help First Nations Band Councils and non-profit organizations and institutions in their efforts to promote a greater understanding and appreciation of the history of the diverse peoples of Ontario. If you are interested in raising public awareness of the history of a particular culture or cultures in Ontario, then you still have time to submit a project proposal. All applications to be reviewed for grants in January, 1990 must be postmarked no later than Friday, November 10, 1989.

For further information, please contact Rob Leverty, Programme Co-ordinator, The Ontario Historical Society, 5151 Yonge Street, Willowdale, M2N 5P5, (416) 226-9011.

The Search Is On For Memorabilia of Bruce's Mill

The historic flour mill at Bruce's Mill Conservation Area needs memorabilia, including photographs and original documents, to assist in its restoration.

Bruce's Mill Conservation area is located on the Stouffville Road, three kilometres east of Highway 404. The mill was built in 1858, replacing an earlier mill built on the same site in 1829. The mill belonged to the Bruce family until it was acquired by The Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority in the late 1950's.

At one time, there were approximately 1,500 mills in Ontario. Bruce's Mill is one of the few remaining. It is especially significant because it contains machinery dating to the early 1900's, enabling an authentic restoration.

The Conservation Authority is asking residents of Whitchurch-Stouffville, Markham, and Richmond Hill to come forward with any photographs or information about the mill that might assist the restoration and illustrate the mill's historic importance to the community. The material will be used in a permanent display inside the mill, an audio-visual presentation, and a brochure.

Anyone having material or information regarding Bruce's Mill is asked to contact Dorie Billich, Metro Region Conservation, at (416) 661-6600.

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Fort York Requires Assistance

Did you live at Historic Fort York or the "New Fort" - Stanley Barracks (now the Marine Museum in Exhibition Place)? If you were a resident, or a visitor to these sites years ago, the Toronto Historical Board would like to hear from you.

Last year, Mrs. Mary Maxted (nee Howard) shared recollections of her life as a child living at Fort York in the 1920's with her family. At that time, the old fort was the quarters for married soldiers and their families. Fifteen families, each paying \$1.00 a year rent, were housed at Fort York.

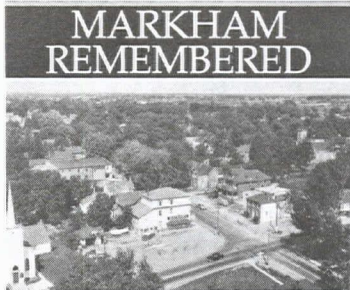
In the 1930's, Fort York was restored as a historic site museum. The fort was officially opened on Victoria Day, 1934. Brigadier-General Forbes B. West, now the Honorary Commandant of Historic Fort York, was present and shared his memories of the ceremonies with Historical Board staff.

Your photographs or recollections of these two sites would greatly assist the Toronto Historical Board. Please contact Aldona Sendzikas, Curatorial Assistant, Historic Fort York, (416) 392-6407.

From the Bookshelf

By Jim Clemens,
Bookshelf Editor

Thanks to our contributors for the Spring and Summer issues: M. Muntz (Parry Sound); F. Maynes (Peterborough); J. Jung (Brampton); J. Cobban (Kingsville); P. Cann (Port Hope); J. Gardiner (Willowdale); M. Hoogeveen (Islington); R. Rausa (Toronto); G. Patterson (Penetanguishene); G. Lockwood (Ottawa); J. Abbott (Sault Ste. Marie); D. McNab (Toronto); J. Barrett (Toronto), and H. Doan (Toronto).



Markham Remembered: A Photographic History of Old Markham Township, edited by M.B. Champion. The Markham Historical Society, 1988. ISBN 0-9690900-1-3, 319 pages, illustrations, \$25.00 plus handling charges. (Available from the Markham District Historical Museum, R.R. #2, Markham, Ontario L3P 3J3).

This photo essay will be of particular interest to those whose family roots are to be found in Markham Township. Nearly everyone is faithfully identified in the family photographs and community scenes, and you might just find great-aunt Lillian at a Bible class at the turn of the century. The book picks up Markham's history long after pioneer days and concentrates on this rural township in its transition from the horse and buggy to modern times.

Vicarious Pioneer

Vicarious Pioneer; The Life of Jacob Y. Shantz, by Samuel J. Steiner. Hyperion Press, 1988. 224 pages, illustrations, ISBN 0-920534-50-3, softcover \$16.95 (Available from Hyperion Press Limited, 300 Wales Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R2M 2S9).

Jacob Y. Shantz, an Ontario Mennonite businessman, entrepreneur, philanthropist, public servant and religious leader, was something of an enigma to his own generation. His business ventures were successful. His lobbying efforts with the Canadian government on behalf of Mennonite emigrants to the western Canadian prairies were also successful, yet information about his life and accomplishments has not been generally known. The Mennonites settling in Manitoba and Alberta in the 1870's would have had a much harder time had it not been for Shantz's generosity and practical support. He made countless trips west to secure provisions to ease the burden of the hardship years. And although his family and business interests remained in the East, he was always an adventurer and in his heart he was a vicarious pioneer.

This Was London

This Was London: The First Two Centuries, by Orlo Miller. Butternut Press, 1988. 239 pages, illustrations, ISBN 0-921575-07-6, hardcover \$27.95 plus \$2.00 for postage and handling. (Available from the Butternut Press, P.O. Box 166, Westport, Ontario K0G 1X0).

Orlo Miller, best known as the author of **The Donnellys Must Die**, has written a popular history of London, Ontario from 1793 to the 1980's. A selection of lively anecdotes focusing on crime, disasters and leading personalities form the book. Miller includes many references to the city's buildings and a plea for architectural preservation. At the bottom of each page a chronology links events in London with those in the wider world. The book is well illustrated and includes a bibliography, index, and a list of public officials.

A Profusion of Spires

A Profusion of Spires; Religion in Nineteenth-Century Ontario (Ontario Historical Studies Series), by John Webster Grant, University of Toronto Press, 1988. 291 pages, illustrations, ISBN 0-8020-5798-5, hardcover \$30.00. (Available from University of Toronto Press, 10 St. Mary Street, Toronto, Ontario M4Y 2W8).

John Webster Grant traces the development of religion in Ontario from before the arrival of European settlers until the end of the nineteenth century. In the pages of this book we meet sober (and not so sober) representatives of the 'three churches' of England, Scotland, and Rome, fervent Methodist saddle-bag preachers, plain Mennonites and Quakers, colourful Children of Peace and many others. We follow the course of conflicts and controversies that arose from different views of the appropriateness of government aid to churches or their educational institutions. We see Ontarians, trying to change the world or to maintain ancestral folkways, in either case for religious reasons. Above all, we are given a picture of what it meant to be religious in nineteenth-century Ontario, and a clearer understanding of controversies still bitter today.

Technology in Transition

Technology in Transition: The 'Soo' Ship Canal, 1889-1985, by Robert W. Passfield. (Studies in Archaeology, Architecture and History). Ministry of Supply and Services Canada, 1989. 267 pages, illustrations, ISBN 0-660-12936-1, softcover \$14.95. (Available from Federal Publications Inc., 301-303 King Street West, Toronto, Ontario M5V 1J9, 416-581-1552 Order # R61-2-9-39E).

The Sault Ste. Marie Ship canal was built, 1889-1895, in a period of rapid technological transition. It was an age marked

by the introduction of new technologies, the adaptation of existing technologies to novel applications, and colossal undertakings that dwarfed earlier attainments in a wide variety of engineering fields. At Sault Ste. Marie, Canadian public works engineers built the first electrically powered ship lock, the first North American canal to be totally illuminated with electric lighting, and what was then by far the world's longest lock. This canal introduced new technologies into Canadian canal construction and adapted an existing electrical power technology to a new application. In its design evolution, colossal scale, construction and operation, the Sault Ste. Marie Ship Canal mirrored its age - an age of technology in transition.

Your Family Tree

How To Begin to Trace Your Family Tree, by Laurie Gilchrist. The Huntley Township Historical Society, 1988. 20 pages, softcover \$4.75. (Available from The Huntley Township Historical Society, 2556 Hanlon Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario K2B 7X4).

This small work is the transcript of a speech given to The Huntley Township Historical Society. Full of practical advice, the author's purpose is to bring together the many sources of information she discovered while tracing her own family history. Also contained in the book is a list of Ottawa area organizations and addresses which would be useful to researchers.

Belleville City Hall

Belleville City Hall from 1873 to 1989, by G.E. Boyce and R. Pensom. Mike Publishing, 1988. 80 pages, illustrations, ISBN 0-921341-24-5, softcover \$11.00. (Available from the Chief Administrative Officer, Belleville City Hall, 169 Front Street, Belleville, Ontario K8N 2Y8).

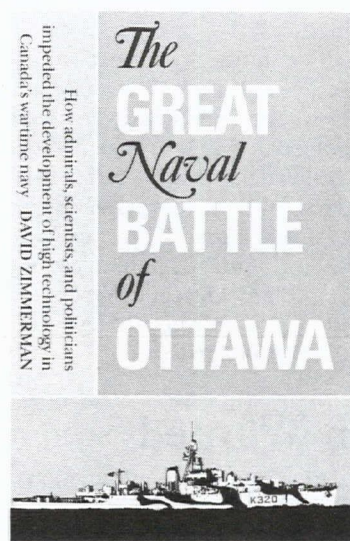
Belleville City Hall is a detailed and photographic history of the building from its creation in 1872-3, when it was known as "The Market Building and Town Hall" to its present state in 1989. Some early Belleville history described by historian and author, Gerald Boyce, includes 1789 town meetings; early Belleville area pioneer personalities recognized for helping to shape the city's history; the Fenians, and several early users of the building. Beautiful coloured photographs, the work of Kingston architectural photographer, Roger Pensom, illustrate the results of the restoration and renovation project, 1987-1988.

Greenbank

Greenbank: Country Matters in 19th Century Ontario, by W.H. Graham. Broadview Press, 1988. 326 pages, illustrations, ISBN 0-921149-30-1 hardcover and 0-921149-32-8 softcover. (Available from the publisher, P.O. Box 1243, Peterborough, Ontario K9J 7H5).

With the publication of

Greenbank, W.H. Graham joins the ranks of the finest historical writers of his generation. Using the fascinating histories of four neighbouring farms as its focus, the book broadens to explore all aspects of the social and economic history of rural Ontario over the hundred years, 1835 to 1935. It details the development of agriculture and the decline of pioneer energy in the third and fourth generations. It describes the creation of a system of formal education from scratch; and brings to life the sports, music and other forms of 19th century Ontario recreation. It captures the flavour of daily custom and routine. A recurring theme is the harsh ethic of the evangelicalism, which surfaced dramatically in the temperance movement and in attitudes towards entertainment, sex, and the place of women in society. All this is woven in with the often amusing, often deeply moving stories of the remarkable individuals who inhabited the microcosm of Greenbank.



The Great Naval Battle of Ottawa, by David Zimmerman. University of Toronto Press, 1989. ISBN 0-8020-2687-7. 209 pages, illustrations, hardcover \$24.95. (Available from the publisher 10 St Mary Street, Toronto, Ontario M4Y 2W8).

A succinct summary of this excellent volume is provided in the author's introduction - "The story of how Canadian naval officers, scientists and politicians tried to come to grips with the harsh realities of (The Second World) war - fought riot on the high seas but in the offices and corridors - of Ottawa". The lay reader may be frustrated by the extensive use of abbreviations to codify the naval jargon. True, an alphabetic reference list is provided, and some - RCN for Royal Canadian Navy - are obvious, but was it really necessary to abbreviate Bathymetry to BT? The author has fully researched his subject, as witnessed by the extensive annotation of no less than twenty-four pages. These excellent notes and bibliography facilitate investigation by any reader interested in further inquiry.

Ontario's Wildlife

Ontario's Wildlife, by Dave Taylor. The Boston Mills Press, 1988. 96 pages, illustrations, ISBN 0-919783-85-6, softcover \$14.95. (Available from The Boston Mills Press, 132 Main

Street, Erin, Ontario N0B 1T0 519-833-2407).

Ontario's Wildlife, written and photographed by Dave Taylor, is an illustrated introduction to animals, birds, reptiles and fish in Ontario. Taylor, a teacher for the Peel Board of Education, is a freelance writer and photographer who lives in Mississauga. While the author does not attempt to make a complete review of all wildlife species, he does provide a guide to the more interesting and major ones. A map accompanies the text.



Ontario Soda Water Manufacturers

The Ontario Soda Water Manufacturers and Brewers Gazetteer and Business Directory, compiled and edited by Glen C. Phillips. Clearwater Publishing Company, 1987. 196 pages, softcover \$22.00. ISBN 0-921818-00-9. (Available from Iron Gate Publishing Company, 264 Essex Street, Sarnia, Ontario N7T 4S2).

This directory lists 1,700 soda water manufacturers and 2,200 brewers from 206 communities between 1851 to 1930. A must for museum curators, genealogists, and those interested in labour and business history.

The Master Spirit of the Age

The Master Spirit of the Age: Canadian Engineers and the Politics of Professionalism, by J. Rodney Millard. University of Toronto Press, 1988. 229 pages, illustrations, ISBN 0-8020-2652-4, hardcover \$30.00. (Available from the University of Toronto Press, 63A St. George Street, Toronto, Ontario M5S 1A6).

The Master Spirit of the Age reveals how status anxiety motivated Canadian engineers to undertake the politics of professionalism. Imbued with the Victorian conviction that material entailed moral progress, engineers were convinced that the logic of nineteenth century development had selected them to direct Canadians into and through the twentieth century. At the same time, however, they believed their capacity to lead was vitiated by the public's tendency to confuse engineers with mere mechanics, to pay them low salaries, and to marvel at their works without recognizing the designers. Out of convictions such as these came the campaign, only partially successful, to close the profession and acquire the prerequisites of practitioners in medicine and law. J. Rodney Millard has skillfully placed the origins of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers and its successor, The Engineering Institute of Canada, into the appropriate political, social and economic contexts of our history.

Series of LACAC and Heritage Workshops Successfully Launched

By Lorraine Lowry
Co-ordinator, LACAC
Workshop Programme

The Ontario Historical Society is sponsoring a series of 23 workshops for LACAC's and other heritage organizations scheduled to take place throughout Ontario in 1989 and the spring of 1990. Covering the province in a regional network, these workshops will include lectures, panel discussions, and presentations by local LACAC's, and provide an opportunity to exchange information, ideas and resources.

The first two in this series were held in Collingwood on Thursday, June 22 and in Chatham on Saturday, June 24. Participants from Dufferin and Simcoe Counties met at the Collingwood Town Hall. The participants enjoyed informative and intimate sessions on "LACAC's and the Municipal System", and "Roles and Responsibilities for LACAC's".

The second workshop was held at the Chatham Cultural Centre for members of LACAC's and heritage groups in Essex, Kent, and Lambton Counties. As well as enlightening sessions on "Heritage and Tourism" and "District Designation", participants were treated to a bus tour of the City of Chatham.

The Ontario Historical Socie-

ty gratefully acknowledges the support of the Ministry of Culture and Communications, the Honourable Christine Hart, Minister for this series of workshops.

The schedule for this series includes:

September: Waterloo, Oxford, Brant, Perth; Peterborough, Victoria, Northumberland; York, Durham; Manitoulin Island; Algoma; Lambton, Middlesex, Elgin

October: Bruce, Huron, Grey; Rainy River, Kenora; Prince Edward, Hastings, Lennox and Addington, Frontenac; Lanark, Renfrew, Ottawa-Carleton; Metropolitan Toronto; Muskoka, Haliburton, Parry Sound

November: Peel, Halton, Hamilton-Wentworth, Wellington; Haldimand-Norfolk, Niagara; Leeds and Grenville, Prescott and Russell, Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry

December: Cochrane
Spring, 1990: Thunder Bay, Timiskaming, Sudbury, Nipissing

For further information and details, please contact Lorraine Lowry at The Ontario Historical Society, 5151 Yonge Street, Willowdale, M2N 5P5, (416) 226-9011, or Mary Lou Evans, LACAC Advisor, Ministry of Culture and Communications, 77 Bloor Street West, 2nd Floor, Toronto, M7A 2R9, (416) 965-4961.

Information Wanted

The Niagara Falls Heritage Foundation is planning the 200th anniversary of the Niagara Portage Road for March, 1990. To complement the celebrations, a small fair or similar activity is being planned to take place on Stamford Green. The Foun-

dation is seeking information on the types of activities that would have taken place at such an event. Anyone with this information is asked to contact George Seibel, 5616 Royal Manor Drive, Niagara Falls, L2G 1E6.

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Those interested in participating should send summaries (100-200 words) of their prospective papers along with brief vitae to The Director, Vancouver Conference, Department of History, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, British Columbia, V5A 1S6.

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For further information, contact Dr. W.S. Coker, Chairman, Department of History, University of West Florida, Pensacola, Florida 32514 or Dr. Ted Carageorge, Chairman, Department of History and Political Science, Pensacola Junior College, Pensacola, Florida 32504.

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For further information, contact Algonquin College, School of Lanark County, 7 Craig Street, Perth, K7H 1X7, (613) 267-2859.

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