

NEXT MEETING

This meeting will be held in the New Town Hall, Old Chelsea, P.Q. on Tuesday, 11 March 1969 at 8 P.M.

The theme of this meeting will be Harrington-Mousseau Lake. Our speaker will be Mrs. Harry A. Thomson who will give us the benefit of her extensive research on the area. She has collected a substantial body of material through talking to old residents. This should be especially interesting because it is "right up our alley" historically and geographically.

HIGHLIGHTS

Many highlights of last year's activities were brought to light in the reports of committee chairmen and officers at one of our most successful and interesting annual meetings to date on 21 January 1969. A very brief and incomplete summary would include: an increase in gross sales at Moorside Tea Room from over \$33,000 in 1967 to over \$37,000 in 1968 .....an order for 100 copies of HURLING DOWN THE PINE from Upper Canada Village.....the favourable reaction to our two field trips, one organized by Pat Evens related to Kirk's Ferry and the other by Rod Sparks on the theme of pioneer days.....the ever-growing Auction Sale with proceeds of over \$2,600 which were 33% higher than the previous year, netting a return to the Society of \$1,160.....the completion of the major works on our Chelsea Cemetery and the unveiling and dedication of the Thompson Memorial Entrance on 29 September, 1968.....the money-in-the-bank report of our Treasurer.....our historical artifacts display at the official opening of the Philemon Wright High School on 18 January 1969.....the donation by Redmond Quain of a copy of letters patent covering the properties of many of the earliest settlers in the lower Gatineau region .....and capping the evening, Mrs. Rosewarne's most interesting and informative talk on Tracing your Family Tree and assembling a Family History. A memorable evening!

LENDING LIBRARY

The Society now has copies of three books on Family History researched and written by the Rosewarnes about three different branches of their own family. Any member interested may borrow them by getting in touch with Mrs. E. J. Ryan, Old Chelsea, P.Q.

PUBLICATIONS FOR SALE

The following may be purchased from Mrs. E. J. Ryan at the meeting or by writing her at Old Chelsea, P.Q. (Telephone - 827 0851)

HURLING DOWN THE PINE	\$3.00
ASA MEECH, paper given by Miss M. Meech	.50
"CARBIDE" WILLSON, paper given by Mrs. Marian Roberts	.50
EARLY KIRK'S FERRY, a talk given by Pat Evans	.50
CHURCH OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE, Chelsea, P.Q.	1.50
EARLY SETTLEMENT OF MEECH LAKE by Ethel Penman Hope	.50
POSTCARD showing first Phosphoric Acid Condensation Plant in the world, built by Thomas L. Willson	
Meech Lake, 1911	.15

REPRESENTATIVE CHANGE

After many years of actively and effectively representing the Society in the Cantley area Mrs. Meg. Weber has asked to be relieved of her duties because of other responsibilities.

Mrs. Joanne MacDonald has kindly accepted the assignment for that area.

Our thanks to Meg for all she has done. Our welcome to Joanne on taking over.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Some members have overlooked sending in their renewals of \$2.00 per person.

We want you! We need you!

We would also like to have any of your interested friends or acquaintances.

Please send your cheque today to Mr. Hilary Sharp, Kirk's Ferry, P.Q. (Telephone 827-0798, evenings)

Arthur Davison,  
President.