

hands of those in Quebec who were endeavoring to preserve these historic walls from demolition.

"The Tradition of the Jesuit Pear-trees on the Detroit River," by Miss Jean W. Barr, Windsor, a corresponding member.

"The Six Nation Indians of the Brant Reserve," by Miss E. Yates Farmer. This paper was read at the May meeting in order that those whose attention had not been drawn to the history of the Six Nations on the Reserve at Brantford might learn something of them before attending the meeting of the Ontario Historical Society, to be held at the Council House, at Osh-we-ken, on June 1st.

In accordance with that part of our annual programme, originated with the desire to attract attention to the works of Canadian authors and thus help, to build up Canadian literature, extracts from the following were read:

"A Centennial Poem," by Mrs. S. A. Curzon, read by Miss Alexandrina Ramsay; "How Bateese Came Home"; "When Albani Sang," and the title poem "De Habitant," from William Drummond's book, read by Mrs. Morrison; "The Parting of the Ways," anonymous, read by the Secretary.

In addition to the regular meetings two open meetings have been held. On December 10th the Society had the honor of receiving His Excellency the Governor-General and Lady Aberdeen. At that meeting, besides our President's inaugural address, an able paper on the "Value and Importance of Historical Societies" was read by Mr. J. H. Coyne, President of the Provincial Association (Ontario Historical Society). Lord and Lady Aberdeen also did us the honor of addressing the meeting, which it is scarcely necessary to say was very well attended by the members and their friends. A short paper was also read by your Secretary, entitled "Lady Colborne's Bazaar, or School Life, in Toronto in the Thirties." Although a light paper, the data from which it was compiled gave a picture of the social life as well as of the first bazaar ever held in Canada. We are indebted to Mrs. Grover, a descendant of General Schuyler and of a U. E. Loyalist house, for the journal and reminiscences from which the account is taken.

Fifty copies of the *Saturday Globe*, of December 19th, in which Mr. Coyne's able paper was printed, were purchased by your Society and distributed to the secretaries of the sister Historical Societies and centres where it was likely there would be one formed in the near future. The paper was reprinted in part or entirety in two local papers and read at the regular meeting of the Peterborough County and Town Historical Society. On May 30th your Society had the honor of receiving a visit from Mr. Gilbert Parker, the celebrated Canadian author. The meeting was held in the Library of the Canadian Institute. The room was crowded to the doors with members and their immediate friends. Mr. Parker delivered a most able address, and subsequently expressed a wish to make the

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