

1885, and was entitled "The Political History of the Church down to the Conquest." Since then meetings have been regularly held, and the society has made steady progress. There are now forty-one resident members on the roll. The officers since the formation of the society have been as follows:—

1885-86.—President, Thos. McDougall; Vice-President, John Reade; Secretary-Treasurer, W. J. White; Council—Gerald E. Hart and J. P. Edwards.

1886-87.—President, John Reade; Vice-President, Gerald E. Hart; Secretary-Treasurer, W. J. White; Council—J. P. Edwards and John Talon Lesperance.

1887-88.—President, Gerald E. Hart; Vice-President, J. Talon Lesperance; Secretary-Treasurer, W. J. White; Council—H. Mott and W. W. L. Chipman.

1888-89.—President, John Talon Lesperance; Vice-President, W. J. White; Secretary-Treasurer, J. P. Edwards; Council—W. W. L. Chipman and W. D. Lighthall.

[Secretaries of societies are requested to send reports of their meetings.—Ed.]

Queries and Replies.

A tradition exists that at the surrender of Montreal to the English Army in 1760, the keys were handed over to the conquerors *by a woman*. The tradition came to my notice during a conversation on antiquarian recollections with Mr. Wm. Hurst, the manager of the Job Office of the *Witness*, whose maternal grandparents were French-Canadians called Meunier. Mr. Hurst said that his grandmother was very fond of recounting things of the past, and that one of the things she was most pleased to tell was that she had known the woman, then very old, who had handed over the keys of the city to the English at its surrender. Is there anything to corroborate or explain this? Mr. Hurst, as far as he himself is concerned, is an unusually accurate and intelligent man.

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