

We also sent a protest against the proposed sale of the Plains of Abraham. A petition was also sent to the Ontario Government asking for a grant to erect some memorial to the landing of the United Empire Loyalists, asking that to take the form of a building to contain our rapidly increasing historical collection, but so far very little progress has been made in this direction.

A further petition was also sent asking that some of the old cannons be sent to this historic town, and a promise has been given to this effect.

Monthly meetings have been held chiefly for the transaction of business, but at one of these an interesting paper was read, contributed by Miss FitzGibbon, drawn from letters from the Jarvis family, written from Niagara, 1792-1810.

During the year many contributions have been received for the historical room, their being now over 1,000 articles in our collection, among them 100 framed documents and pictures. The room is open every Saturday, and over 200 visitors during the year have enrolled their names. The contributions are acknowledged in the local paper in a short historical article fortnightly. Many letters are received asking information from our documents; this is frequently given, showing the value of historical societies.

John Ross Robertson, M.P., has kindly printed for us 500 copies of a catalogue containing twelve pages, and we gladly acknowledge our indebtedness for this favor.

During the year we issued Pamphlet No. 4, containing a paper read by J. H. Coyne, Esq., on "Memorial to U. E. Loyalists"; "Queenston Heights," by the Hon. J. G. Currie; "Museums," by David Boyle; "Monuments," by Miss Carnochan. Pamphlet No. 5 is just about ready, and contains a sermon by Rev. Robert Addison about 1815; History of Mrs. Jean Baptiste Rousseaux; "Historic Houses," by Alex. Serros, Esq., Charles Taggart, Jessie McKenzie; "Palatine Hill and Evolution of an Historical Room," by our President. To this pamphlet there are three illustrations, and it is the desire of the Society to obtain illustrations and descriptions of all the historic houses in the neighborhood.

Our membership is not large. Several at a distance have joined to obtain our pamphlets, and we exchange with several historical societies.

A grant has again been given by the Ontario Government for printing purposes, and we feel that we have much reason for thankfulness for the work we have been able to accomplish.