

fur trader her Highland sons, with the instincts of statesmen, held a vast empire of territories for a hundred years for the British Crown, how her peasants, driven from the land they loved so well, settled in the forests and reduced the wilderness to be a land of Goshen, how she reared up merchant princes, captains of industry, leaders of thought, and rulers of men for this great Dominion, should be engraved on Canada's tablets by Scotland's sons. The pioneer settlers made history; volumes of it have been lost through the neglect of sons whose fathers deserved better at their hands. The county history, "The Man from Glengarry," the magazine article, are well enough in their way, but they are in many ways defective, and in every way inadequate. The Scottish societies should lose no time in undertaking a statistical account of every Scottish settlement in Canada, with the experience of those who left us our land as a marvellous legacy, experiences in many cases still reclaimable, but which soon will pass into the limbo of oblivion unless the public spirit and patriotism of the Scot in Canada should come to their speedy rescue.

To illustrate how much may be done by small means you will perhaps pardon me if I tell you of the result of one effort of my own. I succeeded in inducing a school teacher to collect information concerning the original settlement of each farm in the school section. The facts, once obtained, were easily tabulated on a schedule which I provided. This made a beginning and it was not long until the whole