

Reminiscences and the Importance of Local Legends," by Miss Amy Ball, of Thorold, and Miss FitzGibbon one on "Early Travel in Canada."

The President announced that Lord Minto, Governor-General, had consented to become an honorary member of the Society.

A committee was appointed to select sub-committees whose duty it would be to present reports next day on monuments and commemorative tablets; flag and commemoration days; historical exhibition and museum; and archives and publications.

On the President taking the chair at the evening session, in the theatre of the Education Department, he introduced Mr. Reuben Gold Thwaites, Secretary of the Wisconsin Historical Society, of Madison, Wisconsin, to a large and representative audience.

For upwards of an hour Mr. Thwaites addressed those present on "The Importance of the Study of Local History," and at the conclusion of the lecture he was tendered a very hearty vote of thanks on motion of Dr. Douglas Brymner, Dominion Archivist, seconded by Rev. G. M. Wrong, Professor of History in Toronto University.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Minister of Education for the use of the room, and for throwing the museum and art galleries open to the public after the evening session.

The Deputy Minister of Education responded.

On the following morning the sub-committees met at 9.30 o'clock, and reported to the Society at 10.30, when the President took the chair.

Digests of the reports are herewith given.

Monuments and Tablets Committee.

1st. Recommends asking Government for aid in erecting a Laura Secord monument, and understands that some moneys for this purpose are now in private hands.

2nd. Approves of a monument to commemorate the landing of the U. E. Loyalists at Niagara, recommends our appeal to descendants of the Loyalists for assistance, and that a Simcoe monument be erected in Toronto.

3rd. Urges municipalities and individuals to place brass tablets in conspicuous places to commemorate local historic events.

4th. Requests the Society to appoint this committee permanently.

MRS. E. J. THOMPSON, *Convener.*

W. H. DOEL, *Secretary.*

Report adopted, omitting the recommendation to ask aid from Government.