

work, several committees have been organized to undertake systematic search after material for history-making and the collecting of records. These were:

1. A committee consisting of Mrs. J. Lorn McDougall and Mrs. Frank McDougall to gather together reliable and full accounts of the origin and progress of the charitable and philanthropic institutions of Ottawa from early days down to the present.

2. A committee of ten, with Mrs. Robert Ells, Convener, to make an organized effort to interview and put into writing the recollections of old settlers and early residents who are still living in the city and vicinity.

3. A small committee, with Mrs. George Newcombe, Convener, to prepare as complete a reference list as might be, of publications of whatever kind relating to the local history of eastern Ontario.

4. A larger committee, with Miss A. Horsey, Convener, to make an effort to collect old documents, records, newspapers, etc., relating to early history of Bytown, Ottawa and vicinity.

Another institution of the annual meeting is a question drawer limited to local history problems. This is a popular undertaking and promises to be the occasion of a considerable amount of research on the part of the members.

During the coming summer it is the intention of the Society to publish a volume of Transactions.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Society.

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