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It is often assumed that folk-tradition has disappeared in Canada. This view is not correct, for we have clear evidence that the collection of traditional folk-songs, ballads, folk-tales, popular rhymes and sayings, proverbs, beliefs, games, and folk-remedies, may still yield a bountiful harvest. This work must be undertaken without delay, however, for traditional knowledge of these matters is vanishing rapidly.

The American Folk-Lore Society has recently extended its activities to Canada, and is trying to help Canadian folklorists in the systematic collection and publication of such first-hand data as pertain to oral tradition.

As a first step in the organization of the work which is to be carried on, the Ontario Branch of the American Folk-Lore Society has now been established, with the following officers:

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The first issue for 1918 of the Society's quarterly, "The Journal of American Folk-Lore," contains Canadian material, comprising the following papers:—

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