

and that likewise expressions of encouragement and warm interest have continued to reach the Society from many outside sources.

The membership has now grown to 175 and the average attendance at the monthly meetings has been about eighty.

There have been held during the year eight regular and two special meetings in addition to the annual meeting.

The papers which have been presented have followed, for the most part, the lines laid down for 1898-99, viz., a study of general Canadian history associated with the study of local history. These have been :

April 14th—"Battle of Chrysler's Farm," by Mme. Rhéaume.
"Frontenac's Second Administration," by Mdle. Le Rue.

May 12—"The French Régime, 1700-60," Miss Walker. "The Battle of Lundy's Lane," by Mrs. Jesse Ketchum.

October 13—"The Acadians," by Mrs. S. E. Dawson.

November 10—"Mdle. Mause, Ville Marie, the early days of Hôtel Dieu," by Mme. Pigeon. "The Early Settlement of Prince Edward County."

December 8—A summary translation of M. Sulte's paper on "The Destruction of Canadian Forests," by Mme. Sulte. "The Founding of Upper Canada," by Mrs. Ella Walton.

January 12—"The First Parliament of Upper Canada," by Miss Edith Carr, of Cobourg. "A Glimpse of our City Fifty Years Ago," by Miss Jamieson.

February 9—"The Early Settlement of the County of Grenville," by Mrs. A. Burritt.

March 9—"Effects of the War of 1812," by Mrs. R. G. McConnell, "The Rideau Canal and Colonial Railway," by Mrs. H. J. Friel.

March 29—"Growth of Municipal Government in the District of Dalhousie," by Miss Kenny.

An interesting feature at each meeting has been the reading of a patriotic poem. Discussions have followed many of the papers, oftentimes throwing stronger light on the subject.

The line of investigation which it was decided at the annual meeting of March 29th to pursue during the coming year will result in a series of original papers on the history of the counties and townships of this section of Ontario. For the present it was agreed to discontinue the study of general Canadian history, except in so far as it was necessary as a background for the proper unfolding of local history.

In order that important results might be gained from the year's