

A Merited Recognition.

At the monthly meeting of the Literary and Historical Society held on the 8th inst., a letter was read from Dr. Wm. Marsden, submitting a request from Wm. Henderson, Esq., Hemison, Megantic, claiming a medal awarded him by the society in 1853, for an essay on *ante-Columbian Discovery of America*, which medal had not been executed on account of the conflagration which destroyed, with the society's archives, the medal die belonging to it. The letter contained a copy of the resolution awarding the medal, certified to by the then Corresponding Secretary, the late Alfred R. Roche—proposed by F. A. Meredith, LL.D., and seconded by Commander Ashe, F.R.A.

The President, Mr. LeMoine, stated he had much pleasure in submitting and recommending this claim to the favorable consideration of the society, that in his opinion no lapse of time could bar or prescribe a claim founded on recognized literary merit, such as that of the venerable Mr. Henderson. The meeting unanimously adopted this view and a medal will be accordingly prepared.

Dr. Marsden, in his communication states that his old friend still enjoys excellent health, retains his faculties unimpaired and cherishes the hope of celebrating next July the anniversary of his hundredth birthday.

Mr. Henderson, though he left Quebec close on forty years back, is still well remembered, as the active first Secretary of the Canada Fire Insurance Company, founded in 1818—in which trust he was succeeded by the late Daniel McCallum—having withdrawn on a pension the annual payment of which the Insurance office began to think would be, like its Secretary, perpetual. Mr. Henderson, we think, is a native of Orkney, in the Hebrides, and landed in Quebec in 1799.

DEATHS.

At his residence, Hemison Brook, County Dorchester, Aug. 21st, Wm. Henderson, Esq., a native of Shetland, aged 100 years and 44 days.