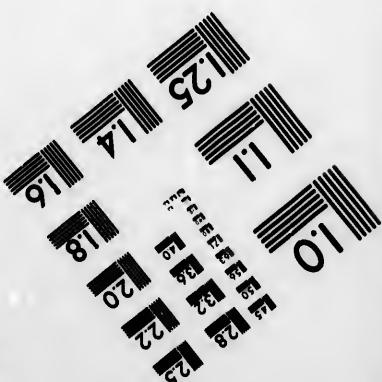
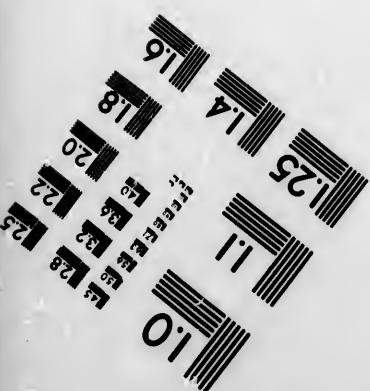
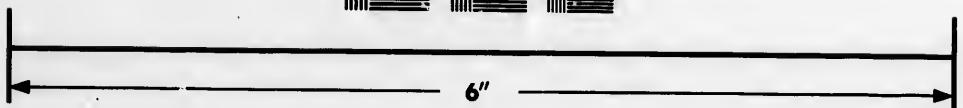
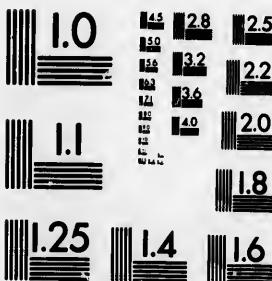


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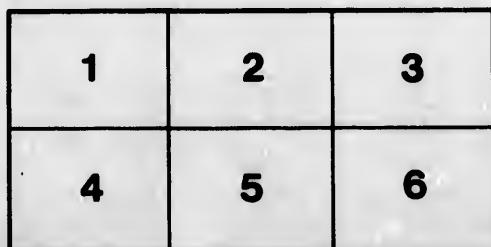
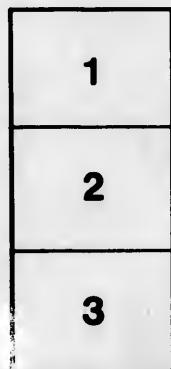
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DEAR SIR,—

The Committee originated by the Canadian Institute, which has the above undertaking in hand, having progressed so far with the preliminary work, by securing the concurrence of the Historical Societies and Universities of Ontario and Quebec, the promise of ample and suitable premises, in public buildings, and the probability of necessary railway facilities, now feels justified in inviting the broad co-operation which is necessary to assure success.

The Historical Exhibition is to be held during the summer of 1897, in the public buildings in Queen's Park: namely, the Parliament Buildings and Victoria and Toronto Universities. Ample space for the purpose having thus been placed at the disposal of the Committee, free of all charge, by the liberality of the Ontario Government and the University authorities, it remains to provide for the other attendant expenses.

For a sketch of the plan and scope of the work which ought to be undertaken, and the means of providing for it, we beg to refer you to the accompanying report.

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It is proposed that municipal and government aid shall also be solicited.

You are respectfully appealed to to become one of the original two hundred charter subscribers, and thus help to initiate the Canadian Historical Exhibition upon a substantial basis.

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On behalf of the Committee,

O. A. HOWLAND,  
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