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BOOK NOTES

<u>Human Settlement in Canada</u>. Ottawa: Ministry of State for Urban Affairs, 1976. Pp. viii, 101. Maps. Illustrations. Free.

This report on the status of human settlement in Canada is an attempt to sum up and assess Canada's experience as an urbanizing nation. It was published on the occasion of Habitat: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Vancouver, 31 May-11 June, 1976). Concentrating on the decade 1965-1975, the report is a factual account of human settlement with an emphasis on the role of government. The idea behind the report was to provide a "benchmark" against which Canadian achievement can be measured in the years following Habitat. Accordingly, the text includes a substantial amount of statistical data to facilitate future assessment. The orientation is thoroughly domestic; there is no analysis of international issues in human settlement nor are there extensive comparisons between Canada and other nations.

Human Settlement in Canada is available from Editorial Services, Publications Division, Ministry of State for Urban Affairs, 373 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, K1A OP6. [A.F.J. Artibise, University of Victoria].

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Maddick, Heather, ed. <u>County Maps: Land Ownership of Maps in Canada in the 19th Century</u>. Ottawa: National Map Collection, Public Archives of Canada, 1976. Pp. vi, 94. Illustrations. Free.

County land ownership maps were among the most significant maps produced in eastern Canada in the second half of the nineteenth century. Of the 58 maps known to have been made, 32 are of Ontario counties, 4 of Quebec counties, 3 of New Brunswick counties, 18 of Nova Scotia counties and 1 of Prince Edward Island. These county maps were

large wall maps which usually covered only one county and included information on the survey grid, roads, railroads, towns, buildings and even names of rural residents. Views of local residences and businesses, numerous insets of towns and villages, and a business or subscribers' directory were also included. For urban historians, the principal usefulness of these maps will be the information contained in the insets, views, and directories, as well as in the mapping of areas contiguous to urban areas at the time. These areas, which were then rural, have now often become part of a settlement's built-up area. Studies of



Detail of the Map of Coaticook, inset on "Map of the District of St. Francis, Canada East ...", 1863. Courtesy of National Map Collection, Public Archives of Canada.

transportation networks linking urban areas should also be aided by the use of these county maps. Fortunately, the catalogue includes an excellent introductory essay by Joan Winearls (Map Librarian, University of Toronto), which discusses the research possibilities of the maps.

The National Map Collection holds copies of all the maps described in the catalogue and will supply further information and photocopies on request. The book itself is also available from the National Map Collection, Public Archives of Canada, 395 Wellington Street, Ottawa, K1A ON3. [A.F.J. Artibise, University of Victoria].

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The Canadian Settlements Sampler: Innovative programs that make communities liveable. Ottawa: Community Planning Press, 1976. Pp. 79. Illustrations. \$2.95.

This booklet, produced under the auspices of the Canadian National Committee for Habitat, suggests more than 200 potentially valuable solutions to issues facing Canadian communities from coast to coast. The Sampler is organized into three main sections: "Planning Ahead", "Bettering the Built World", and "Social Interchange". Innovations in land use, transportation, environment protection and public participation as well as housing, utilizing public spaces, health care delivery, and creation of employment and learning opportunities are described. The individual articles provide wide-ranging and practical suggestions for improving the quality of the living environment. Sources of further information, including groups and organizations concerned with the projects, are identified in each article.

The Sampler is also available in French as Répertoire de mieux-vivre au Canada: Programmes et innovations destinés à améliorer nos establissements humains (paper, \$7.95). [A.F.J. Artibise, University of Victoria].

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