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REPORT OF THE LOCAL HISTORY SECTION 1960-1961

Throughout the year the local History Section circulated to provincial historical societies information concerning activities in the local history field in all the provinces. At the annual meeting of the Section in June, 1961 it was decided to send a newsletter to all local history societies in Canada.

To recognize outstanding achievements in furthering the study of local history in Canada, ten certificates of merit were awarded by the Canadian Historical Association at its General Session in Montreal on Saturday, June 10. The recipients for 1961 are the following:

The New Brunswick Historical Society. For its energetic program to promote local historical research, its organization of regional historical societies, and its restoration and operation of a historic house museum.

The Historical and Scientific Society of Manitoba. For its valuable publications, its promotion of an appreciation of local history among school children, its assistance in training individuals in museum maintenance, its survey of local history resources, and its organization of the Manitoba Records Society.

The Nova Scotia Museum, Halifax. For its outstanding collections, its administration of three historic houses, its assistance to local museums, its research in many aspects of local history, its archaeological investigations and publications resulting therefrom.

The Western Development Museum Board, Saskatoon. For assembling extensive exhibits relating to the development of prairie agriculture, for demonstrating the operation of machinery and equipment at its annual "Pion-Era" festival, and for promoting interest in local history among school children by conducting annual essay competitions.

Marcel Trudel, *L'Esclavage au Canada français* (Les Presses Universitaires Laval, Quebec, 1960). For a scholarly and exhaustive history of slavery in French Canada.

The Beaver (Hudson's Bay Company, Winnipeg). For its publication over many years of historical articles of consistently high quality and its outstanding contribution to the literature of the fur trade.

Concorde (Revue municipale, Quebec). For its excellent articles on regional and local history, and entire issues devoted to historical events on the occasion of their precise anniversaries.

Radio Station CHRC, Quebec. For its historical broadcasts since its foundation in 1926, including such series as *Soirées du Bon Vieux Temps*, *Le Meunier du Saint-Laurent*, *Le Tour de mon Pays*, *Légendes Gaspésiennes*, and without interruption from November to May, since 1948, *Sur la Scène de l'Histoire*, 300 programs placed at the disposition of the Quebec Historical Society.

Mr. Robert B. Blauvelt, Yarmouth, N.S. For over forty years of service to local history in Yarmouth county, including his writings on local history, erection of historical markers, and promotion of interest in this field among high school students.

The Glenbow Foundation, Calgary. For collecting and preserving, since its foundation in 1955, historical manuscripts, newspapers, and photographs, and its special projects including linguistic studies, recording of Indian ceremonies, tracing of historic trails and fur trade routes, and operation of the Luxton Museum at Banff.

The new officers of the Local History Section, elected at the annual meeting, are as follows:

Chairman: Professor G. F. G. Stanley, Department of History, Royal Military College, Kingston, Ontario.

1st Vice-Chairman: Professor Maurice Careless, Department of History, University of Toronto, Toronto, Ontario.

2nd Vice-Chairman: M. l'abbé Honorius Provost, Séminaire de Québec, Québec, P.Q.

English Language Secretary: Allan R. Turner, Archives Division, Legislative Library, Regina, Saskatchewan.

French-Language Secretary: Rev. Father Adrien Pouliot, S.J., le Collège des Jésuites, 1150 ouest, rue Saint-Cyrille, Québec, P.Q.

MARGARET A. ORMSBY,
Chairman.