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In October, 1973, sixty persons from the four Atlantic Provinces gathered at Fredericton to form the above named Association. The delegates were drawn from many walks of life and included professional archivists, municipal officers, University teachers, representatives of Churches, Museums and Historical Societies, and school teachers. They shared one common interest — the development, maintenance and utilisation of archival materials — documents, maps, photographs, charts, oral history tapes, etc. — which exist in or pertain to, our region.

At the moment the Association is still engaged in organising itself, but we are holding a conference in St. John's, Newfoundland between the 24th-27th April, 1974 at which the constitution will be settled and a new list of officers elected. The Annual Conference will include a large number of workshops on all aspects of archival concern, including such things as records management, oral history techniques, document and tape maintenance, the use to which local resources can be put and many other matters. The Association is also publishing a News letter.

Anyone who is interested in joining should note that the membership fee is only \$5.00 per annum, and should send a cheque for that amount to Dr. K. Matthews, c/o Maritime History Group, Memorial University, St. John's, Newfoundland.

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