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THE CANADIAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON HISTORIC LANDMARKS

Your committee desire to report progress. For the past year, they have been considering the establishment of a permanent record of the location of historic sites all through the Dominion. In a rapidly growing country like Canada, cases are unfortunately too frequent where the actual location of the site where some outstanding historic event took place, has been lost to memory. An instance is the spot where Dollard's fort actually stood at Carillon. No data has been found available to locate this.

The actual spot where Jacques Cartier landed on Isle-aux-Coudres in 1535 has been the subject of lively discussions. Few living people can locate the old "Parliament House" in Montreal, burnt in 1849. Unfortunately, old buildings and old sites get "swallowed up" fairly rapidly by the growth of modern cities.

It is the purpose of your committee to carry on and expand the "Card Index" first set up by our very enthusiastic member, Mrs. J. B. Simpson, and to endeavour to encourage our members all through the Dominion to send in reliable data as to exact locations, so that, in the future, when our association, or the various Sites Board, decide to set up a memorial in some city where it is badly needed, there may be available from this branch the proper data to show exactly where the memorial ought to be erected.

PEMBERTON SMITH, *Chairman.*