

THE JOURNAL The publication of our journal will require publishable material. We would hope that the members would contribute articles to the editor for consideration. This is the time for each of us to look over the information we have been gathering, to organize it, and to write an article. Two typewritten pages is of suitable length. Longer articles can be published as space permits in sequential issues. Articles may consist of history and genealogy of a single person or an entire family, parishes and their personages, settlements by Canadians, or accomplishments by some interesting person.

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