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LADY TWEEDSMUIR  
PROMOTER OF THE TWEEDSMUIR HISTORIES

Lady Tweedsmuir, while here in Canada during her husband's stay as Governor General, requested Canadians to preserve their rich history and she appealed to the Women's Institutes (herself a member) to do the work.

"In any age it is the duty which every country owes to itself to preserve the records of the past and to honour the men and women whose lives and deeds made possible its present. To-day, when the whole civilized world is throbbing to social and political impulses of the greatest significance it is well to call to mind such lives and deeds and catch, if we can, inspiration for acting well the part that follows to each of us."

(Taken from Talbot Settlement Centennial Celebration 1903.)

At the National Women's Institute Convention in Toronto at the Royal York Hotel, Lady Tweedsmuir as guest speaker addressed a very large delegation of women from all the provinces of Canada when she dwelt upon the enrichment of Canadian life by adult education derived particularly from Libraries.

She said books were made to be shared with the less fortunate in Canada's remotest regions. At this convention Lady Tweedsmuir was presented with a miniature portrait of herself. This was the work of Mrs. R. B. Cummings, who for five years was the charming hostess at the Sparta United Church parsonage. At this presentation Rev. Cummings went up and down the aisles showing it to each lady present. This was shortly before the Tweedsmuirs left Canada.

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