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This is my Historical Research report that was given
at our January meeting.

We took an imaginary trip back through the yesteryears
and took a look at our forefathers.

The Township of Dummer was given the middle name of
William Dummer Powell who ~~came~~ was chief Justice of Upper
Canada 1815-1825. This was his maternal middle name. He died
in Sept 6, 1834 at the age of 79.

The Township of Dummer was surveyed in 1823 by Richard
Birdsall. The first settlers came in 1831. In 1835 Hon. Zachary
Barnham erected a mill on the Indian River at what is now Warsaw.
At that time it was known as Dummer Mills.
The first clergyman in Dummer was Rev. Archibald Colquhoun.

One of the most noted figures to have lived in Dummer Township
was the Rev. Dr. Edward Hartly Dewar. He came to Canada from
Stradone Ireland in 1834 at the age of six. His grand-nephew John A
Dewart was mayor of Peterborough at one time.

The first council was formed in 1848, the men being Dr.
Thomas Crowe and the two councillors John Kidd and Thomas Chiate.

In 1838 a post office was established at Dummer Mills and Dr.
Thomas Chiate, ~~postmaster~~ gave it the name of Warsaw. He was the first
postmaster and remained so for forty five years.