

TWEEDMUIR HISTORY OF THE VILLAGE OF COTTAM

(As it applies to our community)

"A wise nation preserves its records....  
gathers up its muniments....decorates the  
tombs of the illustrious dead....repairs  
its great public structures and fosters  
national pride and love of country by  
perpetual references to the sacrifices  
and glories of the past."

Joseph Howe

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We sometimes think of ourselves as living in a world which no longer has any unexplored frontiers.... We speak of pioneering as a thing of the past.... But we forget that the greatest adventure of all still challenges us "the adventure of the human mind". We may feel hemmed in geographically - but every generation stands on the frontiers of the mind. In this world of ideas there is always pioneering to be done and it can be done by anyone who has the equipment with which he is endowed. Reading, thinking, and ideas belong to everyone.