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well back and high above a terraced lawn, with enough space on either side to give it a quiet air of the past; it seems almost to look with surprise and disapproval at the speeding traffic. It was built by Dr. Scantlebury early this century; he had formerly lived at the house where the Lewis Construction have their present headquarters at Southland on Nepean Highway. The house in Charman Road is now a clinic used by three doctors.

A few yards further on, going westward, is a large cream weatherboard house with a red iron roof, surrounded by a big garden, at present much neglected. Here lived for some years in the eighties and nineties a Dr. W. S. Verity; when he left he gave his unused patients' "note books" to Addie Fairlam, then a schoolgirl, who lived next door with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Fairlam. A man called Coulson bought the house; then it was occupied by a family called Hider Smith who sold it to a Mr. Ingram; the latter had a bookshop in the city. The next owner was Miss Nanson, daughter of Professor Nanson of Melbourne University. She lived there alone until recently. For some years failing health has prevented her from attending to the garden; she is now in hospital and the house unoccupied.

(Information from Mr. F. Taylor of Cheltenham).

A TOUCH OF HISTORY FOR SOUTHLAND.

The Society always interested in the changes taking place around the city, recently applied to and received permission from Mr. P. D. Hyde, general manager of Southland to place a reminder of Moorabbin's past in the garden area there. A plough seemed to be a suitable symbol of the early days of Moorabbin when most of the area was covered with market gardens, farms and orchards. Mr. W. A. Follett of Heatherton has donated to the Society a single-furrow mould-board plough of the type used in the 1870's and 1880's. This will be painted the colour advised by Mr. A. Cole, the architect of Southland and then mounted on a concrete block bearing a suitable inscription. It may perhaps look a little odd but it may make thoughtful shoppers pause a little and let their imaginations dwell for a moment on a very different Moorabbin from the one they see around them at Southland.

The President and officers of the Society wish all their members and friends a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.