## CITY OF MOORABBIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

AFFILIATED WITH THE ROYAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF VICTORIA AND THE CHELTENHAM ARTS AND CRAFTS SOCIETY.

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The Society meets at the State School, Charman Road, Cheltenham on 3rd, Thursday of each month. Next meeting - Thursday October 21st.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Society was held at the State School, Charman Road, Cheltenham on Thursday, 16th September. In his report the President Mr. R. Ashley, outlined the activities of the Society during the preceding year. With the assistance of the Moorabbin City Council two projects have been carried out; a horse trough, suitably inscribed, of the kind used by the horses who pulled to the city markets the vegetables and fruit grown in Moorabbin is now in the Cheltenham Park and a plaque has been placed at the corner of Nepean Highway and Patterson Road where the toll gate (house) 6 tood between 1858 and the seventies. The Society has also purchased a plaque memory of Walter Meeres, the first Headmaster of the Charman Road School is soon to be erected and unveiled.

The Society arranged for its members and their friends two excursions to places of historical interest - to Holly Green, the Sunbury farmhouse WHICH the oldest house in Victoria and the gold town of Walhalla.

The Society took part in two displays, arranged by the Cheltenham ARTS and Crafts Society with which it is affiliated, one in March and another in September.

With the co-operation of Mr. D. Chipp, M.H.R., the Society organized the third time its annual Junior Citizens Scheme. Two girls and a boy were chosen from the secondary schools of the city and with their Chaperone Mrs. P. Brodie, enjoyed four days in Canberra where they learned something of how Australia is governed.

In spite of much hard work the Society has not been able to make progress with its dearest and most important scheme, the establishment of a museum where historical material of all kinds can be safely stored.