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ESTERDAY ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE. Trip to Old Brunswick Immensely Enjoyed by Colonial Dames and Their Friends. ABLE HISTORICAL PAPERS. the Ladies; mile I have a two-fold object in the special meeting I have called tocarpose day, and I hope for a generous and sympathetic response. As an introduction, I will quote a few words from the preamble of the National Constitution, which leve the Soundation store of the Society of Colonial This preamble says most emphatically that the object of our Society is not only to honor " the heroic achievements of our fore-fathers, but stimulate in the young a spirit of patriotism and When we incorporated these words, in the laws which govern us, try"they bore no special significance, save pride in the herois deeds of our fore-fathers, and the remembrance of a Nation's glory in the past. So long had we walked in the ways of pleasantness and the paths of peace and basked in the hallowed quiet of the present that war and its tragedies, its heart-aches and desolations seemed but the faint echo of a far off past, but like a thunder clap in a clear sky has come the cry to arms, and there is no North, no South, no East, no West, but a country united under one flag--with all sectional differences wiped out -- sends forth her bravest and best for the cause of humanity. It matters little whether or not we are in sympathy with this war -that is not for us to discuss -- we only know that war has come and in its wake suffering, sickness and disaster. Our duty is not only to unearth the history of the past, but as the foremost of patriotic Societies to take our part in the events of to-day and thus make for ourselves a place in the history of the future. Only the facts of life make us think, and true heroism excites our enthusiasm. If the deeds of valor of a dead and gone generation appeal

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