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Sutton on display

The virtual exhibition Sutton, Border Town, which revisits the history of Sutton from the perspective of its proximity to the American state of Vermont, goes online on October 2. Online at www.heritagesutton.ca and on https://www.communitystories.ca/v2/histoires-de-frontiere_border-stories/

To mark the exhibition's launch, the population of Sutton is invited to a public presentation at the Salle Alec et Gérard Pelletier as part of the Journées de la culture 2023. The presentation will take place in French on September 30th, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., and in English on Sunday, October 1st, at the same hour.

The hall will be set up as a cabaret and bar service will be available. The event is free; a voluntary contribution is suggested.



A small marker in the middle of a magnificent landscape marks the Sutton-Vermont border south of Claybank Road.

Inflation is catching up!

This spring, the unit selling price of notebooks was raised to \$ 10 at points of sale for issues 38 onwards, with issues 1 to 37 continuing to sell for \$ 5. Purchasers of a complete series benefit from a 20 % discount, paying \$ 188 for 38 issues and 2 boxes. With the release of the next issue (no. 39), the price of the series will rise to \$ 196.

The annual subscription is also to be readjusted. It will rise to \$ 40 in October for those who choose to receive the two annual issues in paper format. The fee will be \$ 30 for PDF copies.

Héritage Sutton members are also entitled to one hour of free consultation per year.



Héritage Sutton's library includes some 400 titles dealing mainly with Lower Canadian, Eastern Townships and First Nations history.

Héritage Sutton is recruiting

The Héritage Sutton historical society is looking for an administrative assistant, responsible for document management.

The task essentially involves :

- filing, describing, indexing and digitizing documents;
- data entry using user-friendly software.

Bilingualism is required for this position, given the large number of English-language documents in the various collections, and in order to be able to communicate with Sutton's two linguistic communities.

The contract is for 26 weeks, with the possibility of renewal. The work week is 32 hours and some work can be done from home. The contract is on a fee basis.

If you know someone who might be interested in this challenge, please invite them to send their CV to: heritagesutton@gmail.com.

... and volunteers too

Over 90% of everything Héritage Sutton does, from governance to publications and exhibitions, is carried out by volunteers. The historical society has no employees; however, it does occasionally award contracts for projects or for the archiving of its collections.

Our bank of volunteers is our greatest asset, and it can never be too full. So get involved in Sutton's history by filling the form available on the following site : <https://forms.gle/dppqV6gpyaUPaqHLA>.



Meredith Mackeen (left) and Alexandrine Poissant (right) help two young people from Sutton school to consult the Héritage Sutton archives as part of a project on toponymy.

Sutton in capsules: Mr. Wyatt and his sanitary toilets

N.J. Wyatt was a tinsmith in Sutton. After the great fire of 1898, he quickly rebuilt his small factory, the Wyatt Cans Works, and went back into business.

He designed this portable toilet, which he promoted in the media. Marketed under the Champion brand name, it was lightweight, space-saving and odorless. It's not known whether this item replaced chamber pots and the wooden outdoor toilet.

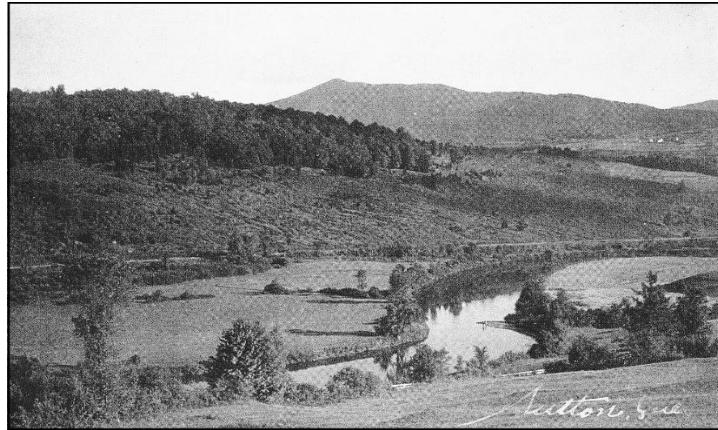


The toilet designed by N.J. Wyatt, which he promoted in the *Sherbrooke Daily Record* in 1915.

Wordless Stories

The Sutton Mountains agricultural century 1880-1980. Today, the land cleared by the settlers is almost entirely reforested.





To find out more...

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As a member, you are a valuable ambassador. Please feel free to share the contents of this newsletter with your friends and family, and to contact us if you have any questions (heritagesutton@gmail.com).

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