

of the Royal Society of Canada, in May, at Ottawa. You were represented at the Ontario Historical Society in June, at Hamilton, by Miss Farmer, Miss Curzon and Mrs. Henry Thompson. At the meetings of the Toronto Local Council of Women by your representatives.

In connection with the affiliation of the Society with the Toronto Local Council of Women, I was asked to go as a representative delegate from it to attend the annual meeting of the National Council of Women of Canada, held in Victoria, B.C., and, as representing a Society whose aim and objects are a study of, and the encouragement of, a wider patriotism and appreciation of the value of Canadian history and national pride in her people, I was given a number of opportunities of bringing the work of your Society and aims before large audiences, and of rousing an interest in that better knowledge of the importance of a true patriotism. At Winnipeg, Brandon, Vancouver, and Victoria, a place was given me in the programme of the meetings held there. The result of these opportunities of addressing members and delegates from so many widely scattered cities there met together, has been the formation of Historical Societies in Victoria, B.C., on the one hand, and in Charlottetown, P.E.I., on the other; a renewal of interest in the older societies, and the prospect of smaller local societies being established in other places in the near future. This is one great advantage of belonging, through the medium of the Local Council, to a national organization.

Thirty-two new members have been added to the regular membership roll; two have been withdrawn owing to change of residence, and we have had to mourn the loss of two regular members, and of one honorary member by death.

With reference to one of the subjects in which the members were asked to interest themselves, and by doing so make their patriotism of practical value, it is within the province of this report to note our appreciation of the increase of a better knowledge among our people of the value of home manufactures, and how the consequent demand for them has had an appreciable influence upon the increase of the output of our mills; and it is a source of congratulation to a patriotic society, whose members endeavored to add their mite to the guidance of public demand in this direction, that whereas three years ago the response to enquiry for home fabrics was that none were handled, that they found no purchaser, and that the retail houses imported all their stock, now the home products and manufactured goods are given a prominent place, and are increasing in demand.

A collection of newspaper cuttings relative to the meetings, work and objects of the Society is in your Secretary's hands, and it will be necessary to provide a scrap-book for their keeping and indexing.

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