

On December 1st, however, the Committee suffered a second loss in the resignation of Miss Edith Wilson as Honorary Treasurer, after two years and a half of invaluable service in this most arduous office. All attempts to persuade her to reconsider this decision having been in vain, her resignation was finally and reluctantly accepted, and Mrs. R. A. A. Johnston, who had withdrawn her name from nomination at the previous Annual Meeting, was appointed to the vacancy and has since filled the office with conspicuous success. Special and most sincere thanks should be extended to Mrs. J. C. Galway, the Honorary Assistant Secretary, who has throughout the season conducted the immense volume of correspondence relative to the work of the various committees with great ability.

The correspondence of both secretaries has at least doubled in volume, keeping pace with the growth of the other activities, and it would have been quite impossible to handle it except with the willing assistance of a number of volunteer stenographers, one of whom has always been available when required. The officers of the club wish to express their grateful thanks to Miss Jean Arnoldi, Mrs. Helmer, Miss Maude Macpherson, Miss Margery May, Miss C. McNicol and Miss Eva Wilson, for their many hours of service, and also to Miss Constance Almon, who with her committee of young ladies has again been responsible for addressing all notices sent to a paid up membership which has steadily mounted from 1,160 in April 1915, to 1,459 in 1916, and this year has reached the amazing total of 1,632.

The Executive wishes to take this opportunity to extend the thanks of the Women's Canadian Club to the Ottawa Electric Company, the Bell Telephone Company, the Post Office Department, the Imperial and Baker's Laundries, for generous services rendered, also to the management and staff of the Chateau Laurier for their unfailing courtesy, to the Trustees of the Collegiate Institute and the Normal School, and to Professor Laing for the free use of the halls under their management on several occasions to Cunningham and Company for their kindness in twice auditing the club accounts, to the many organizations who have given to the club's patriotic work the entire receipts of concerts and other forms of entertainment, to the editors of the local papers who have granted space in their columns, to Mrs. Donald Heins and her orchestra of ladies, and those members of the Club who have assisted at the piano at the regular meetings or opened their homes and furnished the refreshments for the series of bridge parties and sock and money showers that were held during the winter months and which materially increased the funds of the several committees. St. Matthew's