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Editor's Corner.

With this issue we commence a new year and a new volume of the JOURNAL We take this opportunity of wishing all our friends and readers a bright and prosperous year, and although it commences with the sad memory of many valuable and noble lives lost while fighting for our Queen and Empire, yet we must start with a renewed hope that the time will soon come when wars and rumours of wars will cease, and all men will live in peace and good-will with each other.

LOOKING back on the old year we all have much to be thankful for. In Canada we have been granted a more than bountiful supply of prosperity, and the country has developed still more wonderfully along lines that will help to build up our Canadian people and Canadian homes on a sure foundation of real happiness and prosperity. We have in this country of ours a rich heritage, and the many philanthropic enterprises now at work are no small factor in engrafting in the minds of our people a good moral tendency with sound honest principles, which in time will help to create a pride and a jealousy in our country's greatness which cannot fail to make us still better citizens and Canadians, and loyal supporters of the great Empire to which we belong.

It has been said that "the hand that rocks the cradle rules the world," but in recent years women have found other responsibilities, and their advancement into public life has shown that they can be a valuable ally in the development of a country. They have taken hold of and managed many of our philanthropic institutions with every success, and this has enabled the men to give closer attention to the commercial and political development of the country. We have often heard it stated that this intrusion of women is a mistake, that they should confine their energies and abilities to domestic life; but, after all, are not our philanthropic enterprises domestic matters? Do not most of these enterprises affect our homes and its inmates? Certainly, they are the root of all philanthropic movements, and our women should therefore be most valuable in the carrying on of such work. Let our women continue their labors in these new spheres of usefulness, and thus assist in a more rapid and permanent development of the world's advancement.

WE have received a copy of the annual report of the Women's Historical Society of Toronto, and we congratulate the officers and members on having closed a most successful year. The report shows that new members to the gratifying number of thirty-six have been enrolled during the year, and the treasurer is the happy possessor of a larger balance than last year, to the credit of the society. The Historical Exhibition held during the recent summer, in Toronto, was not only a marked success itself, but after paying all expenses the treasurer had in hand three hundred and fifty dollars. Considering the heavy expenses incidental to the transit of the many exhibits, and the heavy insurance that had to be carried on such valuable articles, the net proceeds were excellent, and the energetic workers of the society before and during the Exhibition can indeed be proud of the grand showing they have made in this the first Canadian Historical Exhibition held in Canada.

WITH the commencement of this volume of the JOURNAL we have the pleasure of announcing two new and attractive features which we have decided to introduce, through suggestions received from several of our We start in this issue a serial story renders. written for the JOURNAL by a Canadian. The scene of it is laid in old historical Quebec, and the plot, which is founded on facts, is intermingled with good descriptions of the many historical relics of the city, which makes the reading both interesting and profitable. The story is well written, and we have no doubt it will be greatly enjoyed by our readers. The other new feature is the commencement of a department to be devoted specially to the interests of young girls. We have made arrangements with a lady to conduct this department who has special abilities for such work, and who is therefore capable of keeping the columns attractive to those in whose interests they will be written. We invite all young Canadian girls to show their appreciation of this department by reading its columns in each issue; and should they have any suggestions to make as to how it can be improved in their interests to let us hear from them.

DURING the past year we have been greatly encouraged by the women of Canada in our efforts to supply our Canadian homes with good clean and wholesome reading of Canadian origin. This year we ask a continuance of their help, by bringing it to the notice of their friends who are not yet patronizing this Canadian paper for Canadian homes. We will, with pleasure, send a sample copy

to any of them if their name and address is sent to us. If you know anybody in your district who would like to increase their means by securing us new subscribers, get them to write us and we will make them very liberal offers for their work. The more subscribers we get the better the paper we will be able to send our readers each month, and thus make it still more worthy to fill its place as a Canadian paper for Canadian he mes.

Result of the Competition for a Design for Our Front Cover.

WE were pleased with the interest taken by so many in the recent competition for a design for our front cover. While we are perfectly satisfied with the judges' decision, yet we cannot make up our minds that any of the designs received, including those to whom the prizes have been awarded, will maken good permanent cover for the JOURNAL. We are therefore unable to use, as we had contemplated, the design selected on the cover of this issue. The matter is receiving our consideration, and in our February issue we may have something further to say on the matter.

Altogether, thirty-five designs were received in connection with this competition, and the following are the names, with nom de plume, of the parties competing:

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The designs sent in were all designated by a nom de plume, and it was not until the judges had made their award that we were able to satisfy our curiosity as to the owners of the several works of art that we had the pleasure of receiving at our offices. We feel sure, in obtaining as judges the services of Mrs. G. A. Reid and Mr. E. Wyly Grier, our competitors, one and all, will be satisfied that each design was considered on its true merits, and from an entirely unbiased point. We desire also to express our appreciation of the work of these two judges, for the close attention given to their work and the careful consideration they manifested in coming to their decision.

We append their report, and in reference to the designs they have commended for having several points of merit, we have decided as a reward for their work to send the owners of these designs the CANADIAN HOME JOURNAL free to their address for one year.