

mittee and have now thirty-six members on the list.

Papers are given each month by different members. In June our topics were: Cold Dishes for Hot Days—1st, Cold Meats, Meat Rolls, Meat Pies and Jellied Chicken, Mrs. W. Stevenson. 2nd, Fruit Salad, Mrs. F. Dobbs. 3rd, Marshmallow Pudding, Mrs. I. D. McLain.

After that were given two papers: 1st, Prevention of Flies, Mrs. Stalker. 2nd, Home and Its Influence, Mrs. Markle.

In July our topics were: 1st, Preserving of Eggs, Mrs. S. Stevenson. 2nd, Preserving of Fruits, Mrs. Macdonald. 3rd, A paper on Woman's Suffrage, contributed by Mrs. Robertson and read by Mrs. Matheson.

For the large Grain Growers' picnic in July the room committee provided a rest tent in the show grounds with seats and ice water. It was much appreciated by the visiting ladies and children.

The secretary of the Shoal Lake society makes this very kind request: "Do you know of any district in Manitoba where the farmer's wives and families are in need of clothes? We might be able to send a barrel as we have done so in connection with our church work and the I.O.D.E."

Portage la Prairie

Aug. 10, 1915

My dear madam:—
Meeting opened by singing "The Maple Leaf For Ever."

President then called for minutes of last meeting which were read and adopted after which the treasurer reported an expenditure of \$147.50, leaving 50c in the till.

Mrs. Taylor then gave the report of the social committee followed by Mrs. McKenzie who gave report of programme committee after which Mrs. McKenzie read the report of the Burnside H.E.S. given in the Canadian Thresherman. It proved most interesting.

At this point Miss Gribb gave an instrumental which was much appreciated; Mrs. Y. B. Millar followed with a paper on canning and preserving which was very instructive, after which the subject was fully discussed.

Mrs. J. D. McKenzie then read a paper from the College asking what courses and demonstrations proved most successful and it was decided to ask for a three weeks' course in woodwork for boys, also to ask for a once-a-week for five weeks' cooking class.

The meeting then closed by singing, "God Save the King."

Yours truly,
Kate Brydon, cor. sec.

Manitou

Aug. 7, 1915.

The Manitou H.E.S. met in the Rest Room to-day for the regular August meeting. After the routine business was over, a discussion was held as to the best way of collecting both money and work in aid of the Red Cross Society, many good suggestions were offered it being finally decided to make our September meeting a Red Cross Day. Every member is asked to bring a pair of socks and at our meetings hereafter a collection will be taken, which will be used in buying supplies for the members to make up.

Miss Moore read an instructive paper on Art. She dealt particularly with Art in the home as applied to pictures, draperies and furnishings, and the great art of

making a home a place of peace, happiness and contentment, and not merely a shelter where we eat and sleep, getting away from it as much as possible to find pleasure elsewhere.

We will hold our future meetings in the Orange Hall for the Rest Room is used so much by the women and children of the locality, it seems unfair to take it for our own use. A dainty lunch was served by the committee in charge, and this meeting closed with the National anthem.

Lilian M. Gillulain.

Emerson

The Emerson H.E.S. (like most of the others) is working earnestly for the soldiers. Our monthly meetings are being regularly held and we have had enjoyable meetings although our program has frequently been omitted for discussion on the Red Cross work and the cutting and giving out of material for garments, etc., for the laddies at the front.

Our Society held a Red Cross Tea in March. (This may have been reported

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earlier.) The proceeds were \$134, \$100 being forwarded immediately and \$34 kept for to purchase material. In June we canvassed the town and vicinity meeting with a generous response. Some \$200 being collected, \$100 of this being at once sent to Headquarters and the remainder retained for working purposes.

Our Society (besides the blankets previously reported) have made up the following articles: 24 surgical shirts, 26 helmets, 23 scarves, 5 pair socks, 17 pairs pyjamas, 24 gray flannel night shirts, 24 white flannel night shirts, 29 khaki service shirts.

We are now working on more shirts and knitting. On Sock Day 167 pairs of socks were collected by the Society.

We recently had a visit from Miss Kate Crawford, which was enjoyed by the members. She gave us a practical demonstration of how to prepare three attractive and nourishing dishes. We hope to have her soon again to address the Society.

E. E. R. Sec.

Wawanesa

The Home Economic Society of Wawanesa has been very busy during the summer

and sincerely regret that a report has not been sent to The Thresherman at an earlier date.

At the regular meeting in April it was decided to ask the members and those interested in the Society for donations of old linen with which to make hospital supplies. It was also decided to charge ten cents for tea thereafter and the proceeds to be used to buy material to make hospital supplies at our meetings. Already the collections have amounted to \$8.40.

The May meeting was a huge success, a number of the younger girls becoming interested with the result that sixteen of them joined, increasing our membership to fifty. A large box of hospital supplies was sent to the St. John Ambulance Association the following week and another box after the June meeting. Altogether we have sent: 3,000 mouth wipes, 1,000 wash cloths, 300 handkerchiefs, 89 slings, 58 bandages, 10 pillow slips, 5 pairs socks, 3 scarves, 4 pairs wristlets, 24 hot water bottle covers and 12 surgical gowns.

On the 8th of July a Patriotic Garden party was held and proved most successful. The society clearing \$138, a business meeting was held afterwards and \$55 voted to the Wawanesa branch of the Red Cross Society, \$55 voted to the St. John Ambulance Association and \$21 to be evenly



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