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Report of St. John Diocese at Winnipeg Meeting

Organization and Activities of Two St. John City Sub-divisions, and One Each in Moncton and Sussex Re-counted at the Catholic Women's League Convention.

St. John Diocese.
The report of St. John Diocese Sub-division of the Catholic Women's League of Canada submitted at the meeting in Winnipeg today is as follows:
The St. John Diocese Sub-division of the Catholic Women's League was formed at Rosary Hall, St. John, N. B., January 19th, 1922, under the direction of Rev. William Duke, chaplain of the St. John sub-division, with the sanction of His Lordship, Rt. Rev. E. A. LeBlanc, Bishop of St. John.
The diocese sub-division is composed of the sub-divisions St. John (Cathedral), St. John (North), Moncton (St. Bernard's), and Sussex, N. B., branches, with a total membership of 388. Representatives from each of these sub-divisions were present at the organization meeting, and the election of officers, with eleven councillors from the different sub-divisions, resulted as follows:
President, Mrs. David P. Chisholm, St. John.
First vice-president, Mrs. James Friel, Moncton.
Second vice-president, Miss M. H. McCloskey, St. John.
Third vice-president, Miss Sarah Lyach, St. John.

Treasurer, Mrs. William Devine, Sussex.
Recording secretary, Mrs. Ellen I. Reid, St. John.
Corresponding secretary, Mrs. Jas. E. McMurphy, St. John.
Quarterly meetings of the diocese board were decided on, and at the second meeting, held in Moncton, April 18th, 1922, the following organization committee was elected:—Mrs. D. P. Chisholm, Mrs. Reid McManus, Miss McCloskey, Mrs. John Owens, Mrs. Gerry, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Devine, Mrs. Friel.
At this meeting it was resolved that a "historical scrap-book" be kept, reports of the diocese sub-division and outstanding events of the different divisions to be recorded therein. Mrs. James E. McMurphy was appointed historian.

The second quarterly meeting was held at Sussex on July 24. The principal business of this meeting was the election of Mrs. D. P. Chisholm as diocese delegate to this convention. Regarding the organization work of the diocese sub-division, reports have not been received from the organization committee, but progress has been reported.

At both the quarterly meetings the visiting members of the board were very pleasantly entertained after the business sessions.

The next and last quarterly meeting of the year takes place in St. John in October, when convention reports will be presented.

Reports of the activities for the past year from each of our sub-divisions have been compiled as follows, according to religious, social service, membership, immigration, education, child welfare, girls' work, and civics ramifications:—
St. John (Cathedral).
Mrs. Richard O'Brien, president. This sub-division was formed by the amalgamation of the Catholic Girls' Guild and the St. Monica's Society, in June, 1921, with 250 members; present membership 380. Rosary Hall, an ideal home for young Catholic working girls, under the capable management of Mrs. M. Owens, forms the centre of girls' welfare work. On hundred girls were in residence during the year and positions secured for twenty-five.
Efficient committees from the league have done excellent work in promoting religious, educational and physical de-

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development, not only to those making Rosary Hall their home, but to all working girls, strangers in the city, to whom a cordial invitation is extended to attend the fortnightly social events and the weekly physical classes in St. Vincent's gymnasium.

This gymnasium is the most recently completed department in the new Catholic High School building and has been pronounced by those competent to speak on the subject, one of the most modern equipped in Eastern Canada. It is the centre of the physical activities for girls, the different classes for high school girls, junior girls, and voluntary members being under the supervision of committees from the sub-division which has taken over the management.

At the first annual demonstration of the physical class, \$19.65 was realized from the sale of Candy.
An admirable course of six lectures was given, comprising:—Child Welfare, by Mrs. Richard Hooper; Jerusalem and the World War, by Dr. E. J. Ryan; Matilda of Tuscany, by Judge Carleton; Dante, by Daniel Mallin, K. C.; and Woman's Work and the Christian Ideal, by Rt. Rev. E. A. LeBlanc. Silver collections taken at these lectures netted \$232.65.

A social evening to promote membership was held in Knights of Columbus Hall and a large audience was present. Reports from standing committees were presented and addresses were delivered by His Lordship, Bishop LeBlanc and Rev. Father Duke. Both speakers complimented the league on the large amount of work accomplished. Music and refreshments added to the enjoyment of the evening.
A year ago, in August, Mrs. Robert Kneil, national organizer of the C. W. L., addressed a large audience of our Catholic women, telling of the work done by the league in the different countries of Europe and America.
Two book showers added many volumes to the library of Rosary Hall; and by various ventures, such as teas, sales, etc., the social committee realized \$596.50.
The religious committee served breakfast once a month to boys of the Industrial Home on Communion Sunday, and carried out systematic visiting of our different public hospitals.
The immigration committee, of which Mrs. John Owens, member of the Immigration committee of the National Board of the C. W. L., was convener, met all steamers arriving in St. John, the Winter Port of Canada, and reported cases where assistance could be rendered strangers coming to Canada. \$46 was voted to Abbe Casgrain, port chaplain, for port work.
At the Cathedral high tea, members managed the candy, beverage and home cooking booths, making the sum of \$483 for the new High School fund.
The membership committee reported 400 members enrolled.
The public activities included the management of a booth in the child welfare department at the annual St. John Exhibition. One hundred members assisted in the work of taking the religious census of the City and County of St. John. Members also worked on the following tag days:
Poppy Day for the benefit of the starving children of Europe.
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Public Health Day to aid in the establishment of a public health centre where free clinic for the prevention and treatment of diseases will be held for the benefit of the public, especially children.
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Large sums of money were collected for these deserving causes.
By selling admission badges, a large number of our members assisted the young men of our Catholic Institute who managed the National Amateur Skating championship races held at Lily Lake, and also gave assistance on the evening of the races when a banquet was tendered the visiting skaters and friends.
To finance St. John's International Rowing Championship representative, Hilton Belyea, members assisted in tagging.
As members of the film committee of the National Board of the C. W. L. of Canada, Mrs. D. P. Chisholm has reported to the convener, Lady Hingston, regarding the local and provincial cinema.
This sub-division is affiliated with the St. John Branch of the National Council of Women of Canada and has participated in many of its endeavors, especially for the advancement and protection of women and children.
In connection with Rosary Hall and other various enterprises, in all, the sum of \$4,045.67 passed through the hands of this sub-division during the first year of its existence.

St. John (North) Sub-Division.
President, Miss M. H. McCloskey. Organized April, 1921, with 105 members. Present membership 378. Held nine regular, two special and seven executive meetings. A constitution was approved and various resolutions adopted.
Eloquent and practical addresses were given by Rev. George Daly, C. S. S. R., and Rev. George Coffin, C. S. S. R., on the aims of the Catholic Women's League, and by Miss Katherine Greany on Catholic social work.
Miss McCloskey was sent as delegate to the C. W. L. convention held in Toronto in 1921.
Members worked in registering women of the parish in order to make use of the vote, assisted on Rosebud day for the Children's Aid Society; in the C. W. L. booth at the annual high tea, and bazaar of St. Peter's parish, when the sum of \$375 was realized for the new St. Peter's Boys' School.
For the St. Patrick's Day entertainment in aid of the orphans, members disposed of many tickets. A pantry sale netted \$65 and a lottery and after-noon tea added \$100 to the funds. The sum of \$50 was received for League work from J. D. O'Connell, the "Orphans' Friend."
One large and ten smaller bridge and social evenings were held, netting \$200.
Social service was rendered in conducting sewing classes for fifteen to twenty young girls of the parish. Material was supplied and much useful work accomplished. A nourishing lunch added much to the sociability and enthusiasm of the workers.
Young lady members did splendid work in sewing for the benefit of foreign missions. For educational advancement, \$100 was donated towards the new school.
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Moncton Sub-Division.
Mrs. Jas. Friel, president. Organized September, 1921, with seventy members. Present membership 175. Eight general and ten executive meetings were held during the year. Four lectures were given as follows:—The Aims and Objects of the League, by Rev. Father Savage; Franchise and the Rights of Women, by Jas. Friel, K. C.; Child Welfare, by Miss Alberta Burns, R. N., and Miss Doherty, R. N.; Social Reform, by Rev. Dr. McDonald.
For the purpose of raising funds, one whist party, one pound party and two teas and sales were held. Amount received from the various sources \$742.26; amount disbursed, \$212.43. Thirty-three baskets were given to deserving families at Christmas, also a Christmas tree and treat to the children of the parish. Much relief work was done in co-operation with the Central Relief Committee of Moncton, this sub-division assisted in providing hot lunches for school children and in sewing for the poor.
Meetings were held two evenings in the month and on each Saturday afternoon and have proved a success both socially and financially.
Sussex Sub-Division.
Mrs. Wm. Devine, president. Organized October, 1921, with twenty-eight members. Present membership fifty-five. A membership committee was formed and members appointed to visit families negligent in matters of faith, to promote attention to Christian duties. A children's Missionary Society was formed for the purpose of aiding the western missions, and thirty-

eight members were enrolled. A pantry sale realized \$23.50, and the children of the missionary society are preparing to put on a play.
The foregoing summarizes the reports of our four sub-divisions, recording as briefly as possible the work of our faithful committees along the lines of Catholic endeavor. To them and to our president much credit is due for uniting into harmonious whole the majority of the Catholic women of St. John Diocese.
With best wishes for the success of this convention, and to the Catholic Women's League in the fullest import of its all-embracing motto—"For God and Canada," this report is respectfully submitted.
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Corresponding Secretary
St. John Diocese Sub-Division, C. W. L.
St. John, New Brunswick, September 20th, 1922.

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