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Annual Meetings

T is again time for the Institutes to begin to plan for their annual meeting, and it is advisable that arrangements be made at the April meeting, for the annual meeting in May or early Tune.

If there are any accounts outstanding the Institute, these should be paid, if there is money to meet the same, so that the books may be properly closed at the end of the Institute year.

It is important that the annual report

of each branch should be sent promptly to the district secretary. The work of the district secretary is very often delayed because of the neglect of perhaps one branch secretary.

The district officers might also at this time begin to plan for their annual meeting, and should urge that each branch in the district be represented at the said meeting. The department will be glad to make suggestions regarding district annual meetings.

If any branch secretary has not already done so, she should at once send paid members for 1911-12 to the district secretary, or where there is no district secretary, direct to this office, in order that all members may receive the annual report for 1911.

Nobleton Joint Meeting

THE Women's Institute of Nobleton held their joint meeting with the Farmers' Institute at Nobleton, January 18th, in the basement of the Methodist Church. The first exhibition of cooking and butter took place, and was a decided success, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather. Judging from the number of entries, there being sixty-two in all, a live interest is shown in Institute work in Nobleton, and the branch is only a year old.

The following is a list of prizes given:

Cake, Dark Layer—1st, Mrs. J. A. McCutcheon; 2nd, Mrs. Jeffry.
Tarts, one dozen Lemon—1st, Mrs. W. Snider; 2nd, Mrs. H. Snider.
Pie, Plain Apple—1st, Miss M. McCutcheon; 2nd, Miss Ella Fry.

Pie, Fancy—1st, Miss E. Stewart; ald, Miss A. Ballard.

Fruit, I quart Preserved Pears—Ist, Mrs. W. Snider; 2nd, Mrs. A. Hill. Jelly—Ist, Mrs. S. Hill; 2nd, Mrs.

Campbell. Marmalade-1st and 2nd, Mrs. H.

Cucumber Pickles—1st, Mrs. H. Snider; 2nd, Mrs. S. Davis.
Catsup—1st, Mrs. H. Thompson; 2nd,

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Bread—Ist, Mrs. W. Snider; 2nd, Mrs. George Hill.
Butter—Mrs. S. Davis won the first special given by Mrs. J. W. Larkin. Mrs. John Mitchell was successful in winning Mrs. H. Pringle's special.
Butter, Institute Class—Three-pound prints, 1st, Mrs. H. Snider; 2nd, Mrs. Dew.

Cake, White Layer—1st, Miss Ella Fry; 2nd, Miss Dobson.

Proceeds from selling prize articles were \$6.35.

After judging competition, was addressed by delegate, Miss S. Campbell, Brampton, subject, "Housekeeping bell, Brampton, subject, "Housekeeping and Home-making." Miss Campbell congratulated the ladies on their display and said she did a great deal of judg-ing at fall fairs, and this was as good a specimen of articles as she had judged at many places in the agricultural buildings. "Progress" was the word for Institute workers, and Miss Campbell hoped to hear of more competitions in future. Housekeeping was a fine and if the young ladies were taught this

art, how many happy homes we would have in future. The Farmers' Institute members came in and an auction sale of articles took place.

Tea was served to all and the gentlemen made happy with the good cup of coffee and nice dainties. Prize articles were sampled. Joint meeting was held in the evening, when a large number were present. Nobleton is to be congratulated on the success of their meetings owing to the systematic manage-

ment of the ladies.

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