The Grain Growers' Sunshine Guild

A CARD OF THANKS

It is evident that the Christmas spirit has been abroad among our Sunshiners and warmed their hearts to the point of opening their pocket books. From Mrs. Lillian Evans, Nutana, Sask., I-received five dollars with which I bought some toys and crackers and games and dress materials for a family in the country where there are six little folk and a great scarcity of cash. I hope the sender will approve of the use to which the money was put.

With another five dollars sent by a friend who signed only H. M. R. with the instructions that it was to help scatter Christmas sunshine, I bought warm blue pants and sweaters and toques for two poor little boys on the prairie and had enough left to add a mechanical toy or

two and some games.

The warm baby things which came from Mrs. Richard Jackson, Mowbray, Man., I am sending to the Children's Hospital, together with a pile of scrap books and Christmas cards and papers from various unknown sources and some chocolate novelties contributed by Miss May Evans, Nutana, Sask.

A contribution of two dollars from an anonymous philanthropist at Summerberry, Sask., another of one dollar from J. R. M. at Lyleton, and a third of one twenty-five from Mrs. Goo. Linden at Shoal Lake are also being turned over to the Children's Hospital to help them

to buy toys for sixty poor sick childreu.

A box of clothing was shipped to us
by R. J. Gordon, of Belmont, for which
have not as yet had any call. If someone who needs warm things would drop me a line I would be glad to forward the parcel, but as I said before please don't ship clothing to me as it makes it necessary to pay double freight or express on every

And now I really must close as I have several long letters I want to print this week and space is limited. With all good wishes for a New Year filled with happiness

and prosperity.
FRANCIS MARION BEYNON

YOUNG GIRL IN NEED OF HOME Dear Miss Beynon:-I enjoy reading the Sunshine page very much and have received many helpful hints from it. for which I am thanking you ever so

I am writing to you because of a poor homeless friend of mine who wishes to have a home with an English speaking couple who are well to do farmers and where there are no other children, any place in Manitoba. She is fourteen years of age and wants a home where she is loved and protected. Her parents died suddenly and her younger brother and sisters are also living elsewhere. She is now living with her oldest brother, where she is entirely unwelcome. She is able to work for her own living, but she only wants protection. She is willing to love and respect any people who will give her a good home and be kind to her like any parents. I will leave her name and address with The Guide, hoping that some one will write her and have her come to their home. I would like to keep her myself, but as we are only here about one year we have no home for ourselves yet. I will close wishing The Guide every

Address all letters to Agnes in care of Miss Beynon.

### CAKE AND BUN GOODIES

Dear Sunshine:-Read your page with pleasure and as I wrote before and it was printed I thought I would write again and hope I am not taking up too much

I freely endorse your opinion of what some people call indecent and think if people were not so ready to take evil where only nature was spoken of this world would be purer and better in more ways than one.

I think it would be a good plan to have Country Woman's Exchange as mentioned by Adopted Yankee.

I was wishing to get the books of "Helps to Teach the Truth to Children," for which enclosed find 25 cents and oblige. Enclosed find recipe for a new cake and some lovely buns I make:

Make just a layer cake and divide into

three pans, only have one much smaller than the others, and put in a little extra sugar and make quite stiff, with raw apples sliced very thin and bake and put in between the layer and you do not need any filling. I find it delicious.

Buns—Take about a quart of bread

dough when ready to knead stiff and put in one half cup of lard or butter, one half cup of sugar and put one egg in cup and beat well, then fill cup with milk and add fruit if you care to, let them rise well, then put in pan and rise three hours.
VIOLET.

### THE PRIVILEGE OF HOME-

MAKING

Dear Miss Beynon:-I like your pages in The Guide entitled, The Country Homemakers and Sunshine and have thought a great deal about this wonderful privilege of homemaking that God has given to women. I believe, with you, that when the time comes that young women, entering their own new homes, really see the beautiful privilege that is theirs and that this beautiful home relationship needs nurturing and cherishing each day as long as life lasts, that then, we will not talk of women's rights. I do think that the home is the place for the revolution to take place. I say this because I know, having experienced this revolution in my own home, and being willing to tell anyone who wishes to know how this did come about. Of course, I know mine may possibly be a narrow view, but to me, at least, it has proved itself the only view upon which my home can safely stand, and I think that "an honest man is the noblest work of God," and that "home" with such a man is the grandest, most beautiful thing that God gave the world; that is, providing the woman lives with this grand and beautiful idea always before her.

I wonder, have I expressed myself clearly enough? Well, I wish, for the sake of all the honest men there are, that all the women saw the homemaking problem as I have seen it, then the bairns would stand a fair chance of getting all the motherly love that was coming to them, and I believe this is one great lack in the world, just pure, unselfish love. I think you gave us a picture of the home relationship awhile ago in your page, part of some book I think it was, and I thought it was the real true ideal. Thank you, indeed, for your work in these pages and if you do not care to publish this, yet you will know of one grateful reader.

Please send those two little books to Yours sincerely, HOMELOVER. help teach the bairns.

I think perhaps you did not quite understand me. I believe in women taking a very broad interest in questions outside the home, but we are wholly agreeable on the importance of making the home relations as close and beautiful as possible.-F.M.B.



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