

## School News

### The Red Cross Work of the Winnipeg Women Teachers' Club

In view of the conditions existing throughout the Empire, the women teachers of our club decided unanimously to set aside all regular lines of work for the current term and devote all their energies to patriotic work. Three divisions were formed under the able direction of Mrs. Gilroy, Miss E. Talbot and Miss Scott, assisted by sewing committees. The funds at first were the voluntary subscriptions of our own members only; but later friends came to our assistance. Mrs. Jaspar Halpenny gave a silver tea, realizing forty-five dollars; the Principal Sparling School kindly donated thirty dollars out of the returns of their concert; and on Convention Day the Winnipeg Teachers' Association voted a generous sum to support the work. Now our committees are joyfully anticipating a season of happy, successful work, unhampered by the dread spectre of the empty treasury.

An outline of the work accomplished during the eleven weeks prior to the Christmas vacation may prove of interest. The Centre Division under Mrs. Gilroy is the largest. It meets in the Red Cross rooms, and has the advantage of sewing tables, machines, etc. The South Division meets in the Earl Grey School, and the North in the Machray School. Sewing and knitting form the greater part of the work, but each evening, under the direction of a trained nurse, wipes and other hospital supplies are prepared. Special returns of the work of the North Branch are not at hand at present, but the following is a list of the completed work of the other divisions:

Centre, November 19th.—27 service shirts, 9 pairs of sox, and a miscellaneous shower from Mrs. Gilroy's little pupils, were sent to the St. John's Ambulance. December 2nd, a large parcel was sent to the Glack Convales-

cent Home for Canadian soldiers at Upper Deal, Kent. It is in charge of Miss Multon, and at the time 58 of our boys were being cared for there. It contained 10 bed jackets, 9 pair sox, 5 service shirts, 7 suits of pajamas, 6 surgical shirts, 15 personal property bags, 1 pair bed sox, 26 wash cloths, 6 pair pillow slips; and from the South an added donation of 3 day shirts, 3 service shirts, 4 bed jackets, 2 surgical jackets, 3 pair pajamas, 12 personal property bags, 1 pair sox.

There was an extra 3 lbs. Imperial mixture tobacco, 10 lbs. chocolate, and a miscellaneous supply of gum, chocolate and tobacco from the pupils of Miss Keith's and Miss Monteith's rooms.

Two cases of surgical dressings are ready to be shipped to Miss Seoba, who is attached to one of the hospitals at the Dardanelles, and two more cases are to be prepared for Miss Johnston and Miss Bell. All three of these nurses, we are proud to state, have been of our staff.

It is particularly gratifying to our members to see the increased interest shown, and we hope to have the number of workers largely augmented during this term. Perhaps some of our friends throughout the province would like to join in our work?

A play will shortly be put on by the Dickens' Fellowship to raise money for the Teachers' Red Cross Fund. Those who live in the city and who can help in the work in no other way will patronize this concert.

### Manitoba Educational Association

Preparations for the convention of 1916 are now well under way. A good many details are not finally settled, so that a full programme cannot yet be published. There will be a general session each afternoon, April 25th, 26th and 27th, and an evening meeting, one evening during the convention. Dr. Thornton, Minister of Education, will