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ASSOCIATES' PRAYER.

O God, we beseech Thee to bless us and all who belong to this Society. May its Members be sheltered and protected evermore by Thy Fatherly love. And to us, who are associated in Thy name for this service, vouchsafe, we beseech Thee, the help and guidance of Thy Holy Spirit, that in all our work for others, we may work for Thee, as members of one family in Christ; and bring us all at last to the joy of Thy heavenly kingdom: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ten Reasons for Supporting the Girls' Friendly Society.

From the New Jersey Annual Report.

1. Because it is a standing witness to the possibility of purity of life and conduct for every woman and girl in the land.
2. Because it is a Society in which each individual Associate and Member is bound to give her help, her sympathy, and her prayers to her fellow Members, and in which the elder or better instructed are especially called upon to afford the protection of their friendship and care to the younger or more ignorant.
3. Because it is preventive. It supplies to independent wage-earners of different classes, a high social standard of opinion, a circle of friendly interests, introductions in strange places, aid in sickness, encouragement to thrift, and thus lessens the strain of temptation on those who are lonely, poor, sick, or out of work.
4. Because it is an International Society, which has been enabled, by God's blessing, to commend its principles to, and to link together in friendly bonds, over 250,000 women, of all ages, of all ranks of society, in all parts of the world.
5. Because it is a Church Society with an organization, Diocesan and Parochial, which follows that of the Church.
6. Because, in both town and country parishes, it affords to the clergy valuable help in parochial work, especially with regard to girls of all classes who have out-grown (or do not attend) the Sunday Schools, and to the fluctuating population of girls and young women, in profession, business or service.
7. Because, though its Associates must be communicants of the Church, it receives and helps any girl eligible for membership without distinction of Creed.
8. Because the value of a systematic endeavour to band together, in purity of life, those, who, as the wives, mothers and teachers of the future, will make or mar the lives of coming generations, cannot fail to be recognized by all thoughtful men and women.
9. Because, by its means, lives are brightened, hearts cheered, temptations lessened, the weary recruited, the sick tended, the ignorant taught, not only through the agency of the Associates, but by that of the Members themselves.
10. Because the Aims and Objects of the Girls' Friendly Society, harmonize with the most loyal Church life, and the highest Christian principles, and thus entitle it to claim the sympathy and co-operation of all who value the preservation of purity, the good of their neighbour, and the glory of God.

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Organization of the Society.

The organization of the Society shall comprise:—

1. Central Council.
2. Diocesan Councils.
3. Branches.
4. Associates (working and honorary).
5. Members and Candidates.

The Central Council.

The Central Council shall consist of:—

1. A President.
2. A Vice-President.
3. A Secretary and Treasurer.
4. Elected Members.
5. *Ex officio* Members:

Former Presidents of the Central Council; the Presidents and Secretaries of Diocesan Councils.

Five members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Council.

Officers of the Central Council.

The Officers of the Central Council shall be chosen annually by the Members of the Council.

All Officers shall be eligible for re-election.

If the Secretary-Treasurer should be obliged to resign during her year of office, a provisional appointment shall be made until the next election of officers.

Members of the Central Council.

Three members of the Central Council shall be elected annually, and three shall retire annually in rotation, but shall be eligible for re-election.

Diocesan Organizations.

Diocesan Organizations shall consist of:—

1. A President.
2. A Secretary.
3. Elected Members.
4. *Ex officio* Members:

All Branch Secretaries of the Diocese.

The Diocesan President may appoint deputies to represent herself and the Diocesan Secretary at any meeting of the Central Council which they are not able to attend. Such deputies must be Associates, but may belong to any Diocese.

Meetings of the Central Council.

The Central Council shall meet annually.

The President shall have power to call a meeting of the Central Council at any time, and it shall be her duty to do so when requested by two-thirds of the members of the Central Council.

In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall preside at the meetings of the Council. In the absence of both the President and the Vice-President, the Council shall elect a presiding officer.

Powers of the Central Council.

The Central Council shall have power to adopt a Constitution, to make and alter by-laws (provided they be not contrary to the three Central Rules), and also to do all such things as may be necessary to carry out the objects of the Society.

The President shall have the right to conduct any correspondence arising between the Central Council and any other Central or Diocesan Council.

Confirmed April 6th, 1891.

B. V. T. WOOD,

President of the Girls' Friendly Society in Canada.

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THE BISHOP OF TORONTO.	THE BISHOP OF NIAGARA.
	THE BISHOP OF ALGOMA.

VICE-PRESIDENTS :

MRS. MEDLEY.	MRS. BINNEY.
MRS. SWEATMAN.	MRS. WILLIAMS.
MRS. SILLITOE.	MRS. HILLS.
MRS. BALDWIN.	MRS. LEWIS.

MRS. SULLIVAN.

PRESIDENT OF CENTRAL COUNCIL :

MRS. S. G. WOOD, Wenvoe Lodge, Pembroke Street, Toronto.

**THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GIRLS'
FRIENDLY SOCIETY IN CANADA.**

The various Branch Reports of the G. F. S. for the year ending June, 1896, make up an encouraging and satisfactory whole, as will be seen by the perusal of the following pages. The total number of Members varies but little from year to year, as the fresh ones rarely exceed those lost to the

Society by marriage or death. The total membership in Canada, including the Associates or Officers of the various Branches, is between 700 and 800.

Two new Branches have been formed during the year, one in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle, and one at South Burleigh, Diocese of Toronto. The work in the former Diocese was organized by Mrs. Featherstonhaugh, of the English Central Council, who came to Canada last summer for the purpose. During the visit of their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Aberdeen to the North-West last year, they kindly consented to open a small Home at Indian Head for the reception of English Members and others coming to that part of the country as domestic servants or in other capacities. In England and other countries where the Society is established there are many such Homes, or Lodges, which have proved most important centres of usefulness and interest, but this is the first one of the kind in Canada. Mrs. Burn, wife of the late Bishop, was the first President of the G. F. S. in the Diocese of Qu'Appelle.

Holiday House, at Hamilton Beach, is again to be open this summer for the reception of G. F. S. Members and others requiring rest and change of air. Last year 81 visitors were received during the summer, a gain of 14 over those of the previous year. These consisted of all classes of girl-workers. There are 27 beds, and during August many applicants had to be refused. The house was painted and a water supply laid on last year, and through the energy of the Associates, the mortgage has been reduced to \$200, which amount it is earnestly desired, may be paid off. An Associate of the Society has generously taken charge of the House each summer since it was opened, and

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succeeds admirably in securing the comfort and happiness of the visitors.

The Society in Toronto has a small Sick Fund which has proved a great boon in several instances, and all Branches would do well in contributing to one, or in forming one. Annual church services and social gatherings are held in most of the Branches, and in Hamilton each Parochial Branch has its own banner.

The silver badges in the shape of the Society's seal are much valued.

Forty copies of the English magazine "Friendly Leaves," are circulated monthly, and the Society's Kalendar is as popular as ever.

In Montreal the Branches contribute towards the rent of a furnished room, where Members out of work, or passing through the city, may stay.

The Canadian President, Mrs. S. G. Wood, was invited by the President of the Society in the United States to be her guest during the American Annual Meeting, held on the last days of October, 1895, but she was unable to accept, and this was a matter of regret, as it would have been a great advantage to have conferred with the representatives of the numerous and successful Branches across the border. About the usual number of Members from Great Britain and Ireland have been commended and introduced to the Society in this country during the year. Miss Biddulph, who kindly represents Canada on the English Central Council, sends accounts of the meetings which have proved of great interest, and are passed from Branch to Branch, to be read at meetings of Associates.

We cannot close this introduction to our Report without

referring to the severe loss the parent Society has sustained in the death of Miss Lucy Wright, who, for sixteen years, filled the difficult and important post of Secretary of the Central Council with rare ability and devotion. All who came in contact with her are unanimous in their tributes to her excellence and personal charm, and the Society everywhere is a loser by her removal to a higher field of service.

Confirmed June 29th, 1896.

B. V. T. WOOD,

President Central Council G. F. S. in Canada.

G. F. S. CONFERENCE IN MONTREAL.

In connection with the Annual Meeting of the National Council of Women, which took place in Montreal, in May, 1896, a G. F. S. conference was held at the house of Mrs. G. D. Redpath, President of the Society in the Diocese of Montreal. A large number of the Associates and friends of the Society were present. The Bishop of Montreal kindly presided, and the meeting was opened with the Associates' Prayer, after which the Diocesan Secretary read the Annual Report of the Montreal Diocesan Branch. This was followed by an address of welcome to the visiting delegates by Mrs. Redpath.

Mrs. Wood, President of the G. F. S. in Canada, next addressed the meeting, and spoke of the origin of the Society in England, of its growth, and vast power for good, and of the responsibilities and privileges of those called to take part in the work, urging the workers present to persevere in spite of discouragements.

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of the National Council of Women of the U. S. A., who brought greetings and hearty good wishes for the progress of the G. F. S. in Canada, from the other side of the line. She spoke of the great need for such societies as a bulwark against the ever-swelling tide of evil, and said: "Young womanhood is a gift God has given us, young lives, young souls to guide and to bless, and we can stir up and keep alive in them all lovely things which will brighten home life, wifehood and motherhood. Our organization is a quiet one, it begins with prayer and devoutness, it has common sense and a knowledge of needs. The older womanhood is a torch bearer to those in the shadows, and stands on the stairs to give light to them to ascend. We must shape our lives so that others may follow them."

Mrs. Edwards, from Ottawa, said the problem we had to deal with was how to reach all classes with sympathy and help. She would refer only, this afternoon, to the domestics in our houses. How can we help them to raise their work to a higher plane? The speaker illustrated her address in an amusing and practical manner.

Miss Murray, from St. John, N. B., spoke of the G. F. S. in that city, and of the different classes held. The Members in St. John had sent their greetings to those in Montreal, and had asked her to be sure and attend the meetings there, which she would report on her return.

Canon Dixon, of St. Jude's Church, and Dr. Ker, rector of Grace Church, gave short addresses. The former thanked Mrs. Wood for coming down to address the Members in his parish, and the latter said he considered the Society a great and marvellous agency for good. He earnestly prayed that the God of all purity might bless the organization and crown its efforts with success.

Mrs. Wood then moved a vote of thanks to the Lord Bishop for presiding, which was seconded by Mrs. Redpath, and carried unanimously. The Bishop, in reply, expressed his sense of the great privilege they had had in listening to the earnest words of the various speakers, and after a few encouraging words from Mrs. Henshaw, first President of the G. F. S. in Montreal, he pronounced the benediction, and the company dispersed.

IMMIGRATION HOMES.

We would again draw attention to the Immigration Homes in Quebec and Montreal, where girls can be received on their arrival and find comfortable quarters; also to the Girls' Industrial Institute, corner of Richmond and Sheppard streets, and the new home of the Young Women's Christian Association, Elm street, Toronto, where good board and lodging are provided at very reasonable rates.

MARRIED MEMBERS.

According to the rules of the Society, girls cease to be Members upon their marriage, but those who still wish to continue their interest in it may rejoin the Society as Friendly Helpers, or Honorary Associates. Cards with the Associates' Prayer on the back may be obtained from the Secretary. An Honorary Associate contributes one dollar annually to the funds of the Society, but no fee is asked from a Friendly Helper.

CANDIDATES.

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to exclude girls at an age at which they may profitably be instructed in the value of mutual Christian sympathy and fellowship. To meet this want "Candidate" classes have been established. These classes are to the Girls' Friendly Society what the Band of Hope is to the Church of England Temperance Society.

The Candidate Classes in which little girls are enrolled, and in which the principles of the Society are early instilled into the hearts of the young, will be found as nurseries, a source of strength to the Girls' Friendly Society, and we confidently recommend their formation in every parish.

GENERAL BUSINESS REGULATIONS.

I. Every Branch to organize its own work, manage its own funds, and make its own rules subject to the Central Rules and Regulations of the Society.

II. Where there is a Diocesan organization, Branch Secretaries are to obtain Cards, Members' Guides, and other printed matter from their Diocesan Secretary. Where there is no Diocesan organization Branch Secretaries obtain Cards and Guides from the General Secretary, Miss Boulton, 15 Grange Road, Toronto.

III. Where no Branch is established, Associates obtain their own and Members' Cards and Guides from the General Secretary, forwarding subscriptions direct to her.

IV. Members' subscriptions to a Branch should be at the rate of twenty-four cents a year. Where there is no Diocesan organization, half the Members' fees and one quarter of the Honorary Associates' fees go to the Central Fund for printing expenses.

Where there is a Diocesan organization, half the Members' fees and one quarter of the Honorary Associates' fees go into the Diocesan Treasury, and the Diocesan Secretary pays to the Central Fund, in lieu thereof, \$2 annually for every Branch in the Diocese, towards the printing expenses of the General Society.

V. Working Associates' subscriptions are at the rate of not less than sixty cents a year. Honorary Associates, not less than \$1.00

a year.* Working Associates' subscriptions belong to their Branches.

VI. Members' Cards and Guides to be furnished to Diocesan and Branch Secretaries on application to the General Secretary, at fifty cents a dozen for Guides and Cards. Associates' Cards supplied gratis. Secretaries sending for Cards will please state whether for Working or Honorary Associates.

NOTE.—The Diocesan President countersigns all Associates' Cards issued in her Diocese.

VII. Where there is no Diocesan organization of the Girls' Friendly Society, Associates wishing to organize Branches in their own neighborhood are asked to communicate with Mrs. Wood, President of the Toronto Diocesan Council (acting at present as Central Council), and when Diocesan Councils are organized, they will please forward notice of the same to her.

N.B.—All correspondents are requested to write "G.F.S." outside their communications.

Rules for Associates.

I. Associates to be *very careful* as to the character of the girls and young women whom they admit or recommend as Members. In most cases a short delay for probation is advised.

II. Associates, on admitting a Member, to give her a Member's Card, duly filled out, and a Guide-book.

III. When a Member leaves a locality to live elsewhere, her Associate should, if possible, transfer her at once to an Associate of the place to which she goes, to whom she shall in future pay her subscriptions. If a Member goes to a place where there is no Associate, her subscription must be sent twice a year to the Associate who admits her, who shall continue to keep up communication with her.

NOTE.—It would be well for the Associate or Branch that first admits a girl to membership, always to know where she is, and to retain a certain responsibility about her till she ceases to be a Member.

IV. When a Member leaves the Society, from whatever cause, her Card or Guide-book should be returned by her Associate to the Branch (or Diocesan) Secretary.

V. Associates, or Honorary Associates wishing, for any reason, to withdraw from the Society, to return their Cards to the Branch (or Diocesan) Secretary.

* It is hoped that Associates will consider this *minimum* not the *necessary limit* of their subscriptions. The more funds are placed at the Society's disposal the more will be accomplished.

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VI. When a Branch is formed, every new Associate to be elected at a Branch Meeting.

Rules for Members.

I. No girl who has not borne a virtuous character can be admitted as a Member of the G. F. S.

II. Girls and young women may join the Society, from the age of fifteen and upwards, on the recommendation of an Associate.

NOTE.—Age to be determined by each Local Society.

III. Members to pay *not less* than six cents a quarter to the Society ; if they refuse to pay their subscription, they lose their Card.

NOTE.—Members belonging to a Branch Association pay six cents a quarter ; half of this sum being retained for the Branch Fund, and half sent to the Central or Diocesan Fund.

IV. Members to make their payments quarterly in advance to the Associate in the place where they may be living, the receipt form in the Guide-book to be signed by her. If not able to do this, they should send their payments twice a year to the Associate, with the Guide-book, which will go in a letter and be returned receipted.

V. Members must always let their Associates know at once if they change their address, and must be careful always to keep the Society's Card and Guide-book in their own possession.

VI. Members cease to belong to the Society on their marriage, unless they continue to be connected with it as Friendly Helpers.

VII. Members leaving the Society, from whatever cause, to return their Card and Guide-book to their Associates.

A Few Words About Branch Secretaries.

First, the Secretary's own heart must be in the work ; unless she has confidence in her cause, it is quite impossible to inspire others with confidence.

The Secretary must be business-like. It may seem a small thing, but it is not, for there must be method and arrangement in the work, as no Branch can prosper where the Secretary is unbusiness-like. The Secretary should be very careful about her accounts, to enter in her list *at once* every fresh Member and Associate ; to be punctual in sending the percentage on Members and Honorary Associates' subscriptions, and the Report Forms annually to the General or Diocesan Secretary, and to be very accurate in keeping her books.

A few rules may be added :

I. Branch Secretaries to be elected for one year, by the Associates of the Branch, and to be eligible for re-election.

II. Branch Secretaries to give notice to the General or Diocesan Secretary on giving up office.

III. Branch Secretaries to send a list of all the Working Associates of the Branch, with their address in full, to the General or Diocesan Secretary, and the number (only) of the Honorary Associates, BEFORE MAY 1ST.

N.B.—It is important for Branch Secretaries to be prompt in filling out the Report Forms and sending them in time, also to write the Associates' names and addresses in a legible hand.

Communication with England, Scotland, and Ireland.

Members passing from one country to another in which the G. F. S. is established, may, if they so desire, continue on the list of the Working Associates whose locality they have left, or they may become enrolled in the country to which they have come.

G. F. S. MAGAZINES, ETC.

Girls' Quarterly	- - - -	30	cts. per annum.
Friendly Leaves	- - - -	"	"
Associates' Journal and Advertiser	- - - -	"	"
Members' Cards and Guides	- - - -	50	cts. per dozen.
Candidates' Cards	- - - -	35	" "
Christmas Cards	- - - -	30	" "
G. F. S. Almanacks	- - - -	10	" each.
Illuminated Marriage Cards (for presentation)	- - - -	20	" "
Badges (nickel)	- - - -	25	" "
" Sterling Silver	- - - -	40	" "

Copies of this Report and the above to be had from the General Secretary, Miss Boulton, 15 Grange road, Toronto.

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FREDERICTON.—Our Branch of the G. F. S. still continues to hold its own, as fresh recruits come in to fill the gaps caused by marriage or death. We now have four classes meeting weekly, two are held in the Secretary's room, one meets at the house of Mrs. Merritt, who lives at Victoria Mills, two miles below Fredericton, and the other at Marysville, under the charge of Mrs. Cowper, assisted by Miss Morehouse.

All the members possess the privilege of attending a Girls' Bible Class, conducted by the Sub-dean, on Friday evenings, in the Cathedral library. The proceeds of work by the Secretary's two classes were in the first place sent, through our Bishop, to the Armenian Fund. The remainder has been spent in purchasing books, which are sent to poor Sunday Schools in our country Missions.

Our entertainments during the past year have consisted in a Christmas Tree for the G. F. S. class at the Victoria Mills, and two tea parties, with music and a magic lantern, given by the Secretary in her room.

We sadly need the aid of more Working Associates in order to carry on our work more satisfactorily.

MARY NAMERIA JACOB,
Diocesan Secretary and Treasurer.

ST. JOHN.—The work of the Society has gone on during the past year in much the same way as formerly. We have at present twenty-seven members on the roll, with a good average attendance

and a decided increase of interest in the work that is being done. Weekly meetings are regularly held, and a Bible Class conducted by Mrs. Brigstocke each alternate week. The Members spent their evenings last autumn in making aprons, which they sent as a donation to the apron table at the Sale for Missions in Trinity Church School House in November, and the prize, a silver thimble, awarded by Mrs. Hay for the best made apron, was won by Maud Almon. On January 2nd a Festival Service in connection with the Society was held in Trinity Church at 7.30 p.m. Appropriate hymns were sung and an address made by Archdeacon Brigstocke. After the service the annual reception was held, a short programme of music, readings and recitations was carried out by the Members, after which refreshments were served.

FLORENCE A. SNIDER,
Secretary-Treasurer.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TORONTO.—One new Branch has been formed in this Diocese, at South Burleigh, in the Rev. F. H. Hartley's Mission. Five Council Meetings have been held, including the Annual Meeting, at which the officers were re-elected and the Report for the year 1894-5 read and approved. The Council has had a welcome addition in the person of Mrs. Welch, wife of the Provost of Trinity, and a former member of the Durham (England) G. F. S. Diocesan Council.

There have been two gatherings of the united Toronto Branches, one held last June at the house of the President, Mrs. Wood, where a very pleasant social evening was spent, the other occasion being a service in the Church of the Redeemer on May 6th of the present year. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Louis Wood, assistant at the Church of the Redeemer, who has taken a warm interest in the Branch in that parish, and special music was rendered by the choir. The offertory was given to the funds of the Society. After the service all present adjourned to the School House, where refreshments were dispensed and a few words of welcome and encouragement spoken by the Rector. Mrs. Wood also addressed the Members, and told of her approaching visit to Montreal to represent the G. F. S. at the Annual Meeting of the National Council of Women.

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While there Mrs. Wood addressed several G. F. S. gatherings but was obliged to leave before meeting all the Branches desirous of making her acquaintance on this her first visit to Montreal as Central President of the G. F. S. in Canada.

May 30th being the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Wood, the Associates and Members of the G. F. S. in Toronto, sent a little set of silver things for Mrs. Wood's writing table as a small token of their esteem and affection to one, who, for the thirteen years of her presidency has done so much to advance the interests of the Society.

About twenty members from other places have been commended to the Secretary during the year, only four of whom, however, came to Toronto.

A grant of \$10 from the Sick Fund was made to an English Member, and her funeral expenses were subsequently defrayed by it, as she had neither relatives nor friends who could be responsible in the matter.

A Member who has returned to England and married there asked to be allowed to write twice a year as a mark of gratitude for kindness shown her by the Society in Canada.

HOLY TRINITY BRANCH.—There is little fresh to report this year. We had our Annual Branch Picnic to High Park last July, and it was very pleasant and well attended. Our work began again in September, and as usual, we were first occupied with the Infant Class Christmas Tree. Over two dozen dolls are dressed by the girls, who take much pride and interest in their work. Six dolls' beds are also provided as special prizes, and are well furnished and very complete. On the night of the Tree the girls greatly enjoy helping to distribute the gifts. We have a Bible Class once a month, and an occasional evening for recreation, and we do a little work for the poor of the parish. Our membership is only sixteen, and I fear will not increase till we can start a Candidates' Class, from which the girls can be drafted in as Members, and we also need good and earnest Associates to take up the work. Last winter we were at a disadvantage, owing to the illness of the Associates, but the Rector's daughter was most kind in helping us.

The girls are loth to give up the meetings for the summer. They were much pleased with the President's kind letter, thanking them and the other Branches for their kind remembrance of her silver wedding day.

H. M. SULLIVAN,
Branch Secretary.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER.—This Branch has had a most encouraging year, having doubled its numbers since re-organizing in October last. Seven Associates and sixteen Members now on the roll.

The early part of the season was devoted to the work of the Christmas Tree, the presents of which delighted the hearts of some forty poor little ones, of our own parish and others, their mothers sharing in the delights of the evening's entertainment and refreshments.

Since the New Year we have been working for the "Nursing at Home" Mission, three quilts and eighty-two articles of clothing being the result of our labour of love. We have also donated a quilt and \$2.00 (the result of our Lenten Self-denial Offerings) to Holiday House.

Our meetings have been held weekly. We think the social element in life essential, so devote the second Monday evening in the month to an open meeting, when the Members take part in a varied programme, and some outside friend contributes to the evening's amusement. These meetings have been most beneficial in bringing the Members and Associates into closer contact and mutual good will.

Our worthy President, Mrs. S. G. Wood, Rev. Septimus Jones, Rev. Louis G. Wood, Mrs. Wilson Lawrence, and Miss Symons, have been among the many kind friends who have thus encouraged us.

A closing evening's entertainment and a picnic were held when the Branch broke up for the summer. Both were much enjoyed and very successful.

LOUISA EVANS,
Secretary.

ST. SIMON'S.—Our Branch began work in October with a membership of thirty-seven. We have had a most happy and prosperous year, and our Members have worked most faithfully.

Our work during the year has been devoted as usual to the Seaton Village Mission, under the charge of the Sisters of S. John the Divine. A Christmas Tree was provided for 105 poor children in the Mission, each child receiving a warm garment and a toy. In February, Mrs. Street Macklem and Mrs. Blackburn kindly treated the members to a sleigh drive which was much enjoyed by all. The Branch gave a musical and dramatic entertainment in the School House as a conclusion to their season's work.

ST. GEORGE'S.—This Branch met last summer at Erlescourt, the charming home of the Associate, Mrs. Foster, but after her departure in the autumn the members met monthly at the houses of two married Members, on which occasion letters were read from Mrs. Foster, giving an account of her travels, and needlework done for a Sale. Some Members of this Branch again spent several days at Holiday House and much enjoyed their visit.

SOUTH BURLEIGH.—This Branch was formed last autumn, but during the winter it was impossible to hold meetings as the snow was very deep in the country roads and the girls lived long distances apart. It was hoped that it might be arranged to hold the meetings in two places later on. The English Kalendars were much liked by the Members. We hope for a fuller report of this Branch next year.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

There is not much variety in our work from year to year, and it is, therefore, a little difficult to prepare a report which will not be the same as that of previous years. The number of Members commended to us during the past year has been somewhat larger than usual.

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Several of these did not remain in the city. A larger number of G. F. S. Members have returned to England, and from several of them the Secretary continues to receive letters expressing their continued interest in the Branch to which they belonged whilst in Canada. Some of our Members have been seriously ill during the past winter and obliged to go to the Royal Victoria and General Hospitals, where they were regularly visited by their respective Associates.

The room in the "Andrews' Home" has been constantly used by the Members, and they have expressed themselves as being much pleased with the reception given to them. Some of the officers of the G. F. S. were present at the opening of this Home, which took place on January 2nd, 1896. A special service was held by the Bishop, assisted by several Clergymen and Laymen. After the service a visit was paid to the G. F. S. room, and much satisfaction was expressed at its pleasant, cheerful appearance. The annual service this year was held in St. Jude's Church, by the kind permission of the Rector, the Rev. Canon Dixon. It was decided to have the service in the evening, as more Members could attend than at the usual four o'clock service. The Church was well filled, and a bright, hearty service was given. Prayers were read by Rev. C. Cameron Waller, and the sermon preached by Canon Dixon, and was a very earnest, practical discourse. The Annual Festival was held in St. George's School House, and there was a very large attendance of Members and Associates. The Dean kindly gave a reading and Canon Dixon sang a very beautiful sacred solo. Mrs. Redpath, the President, whose return to Montreal after her long absence in England, has been a source of great pleasure to all her co-workers, gave an address, and the musical performances of the Misses Savage, Redpath, and Williams, greatly pleased the audience. It is a matter of regret that St. John's Branch is, for the present, in abeyance. Mrs. French felt unable to continue her work as Secretary, and therefore resigned, and up to this time no one has been appointed in her place. We hope that some one will be found to take up the work, and that this once large and flourishing Branch may revive.

Miss Kerry has kindly consented to act as Visitor to those Members who, from various causes, are unable to join any Branch and are scattered in distant parts of the city and thus easily lost sight of.

The G. F. S. Members are hoping to have a conference at the approaching meeting of the "Woman's National Council," and trust that by exchanging ideas with workers from other Dioceses and hearing of other modes of carrying on the work, the Associates may receive suggestions which will enable them to do more efficient work in the future.

The work is one that requires great care and circumspection, and wise Associates are the great need of our Society, women who have the highest interest of their fellow-women at heart, who are not easily discouraged, and who do not feel it to be a burden to give both time and thought to help others to lead a higher and better life.

LAURA MUDGE,

Secretary Montreal Diocesan Branch.

ST. GEORGE'S BRANCH.—The meetings of this Branch commenced on 8th October and were held fortnightly, as usual, until December, when it was found possible to comply with the wishes of the Members and to hold them every Tuesday evening. This new arrangement has worked well, the average attendance each week being about twenty-five. Up to the present time twenty-four meetings have been held.

A French class was started this winter by request of the Members, as about twenty wished to join. It was divided into two parts, Miss M. G. Durnford taking one and the Secretary the other. The class has been held fortnightly, the alternate Tuesday evening being devoted to sewing, reading, and singing. A great deal of needlework and knitting has been accomplished during the winter, it having been decided to work for the "Deep Sea Mission" to the fishermen of Labrador. The interest of the girls was much aroused, several taking work home in order to accomplish more than could be done at the meetings. We expect to have our bale taken to Labrador by Dr. Grenfell about the middle of May.

On New Year's Eve a pound party was held, the contributions, chiefly in the form of groceries, being taken the following day by two of the Members to the Country Home in connection with the Protestant House of Refuge. The donation was acknowledged in one of the evening papers.

Six candidates were admitted by Dean Carmichael as Members in

February. The names of ten candidates are now on the books, and it is expected some of them will join the Society before the meetings close for the summer.

We can show an increase in membership this year owing to a number of girls commended to us from England and elsewhere, although at the same time we have lost three or four Members by their departure from Montreal.

The Secretary is pleased to report the addition of three Working Associates to the number of those who have worked so faithfully and aided her so efficiently in her work. She also has again to thank the Honorary Associates for their liberal contributions towards the Society.

SARAH H. WILLIAMS,
Branch Secretary.

ST. JUDE'S BRANCH.—St. Jude's Branch of the Girls' Friendly Society resumed their meetings on 11th October, 1895. Twelve meetings have been held during the winter for needle work.

About ten families belonging to the parish have been provided with warm clothing, and two poor women, who were sick and friendless, received aid. Some of our Members crochet, others make aprons, etc., at home. These are sold to friends, and the proceeds go towards some Church object. This year we gave two cushions, made by the Members, each thirteen feet long, to the choir. Our meetings have been well attended this winter, averaging from thirty to thirty-five Members and Candidates. During the past year death has deprived us of one of our Associates, whilst others have been kept away by illness.

Our membership is about the same as last year, with the exception of our Hon. Associates, four or five of whom have moved away from the parish, new members taking the place of those who have left the city. We have two warm cloth quilts which we intend to send away to some Mission. They will be ready for our last meeting this season.

We have one more meeting for work this season, and the last, about the 11th May, will be our closing one. We usually close with a social, and an address by our Rector, the Rev. Canon Dixon.

ANNA RAFTERY,
Branch Secretary.

GRACE CHURCH, ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 7TH, 1896.—In this Branch little has been accomplished owing to illness. Two meetings have been held each month, when needlework and knitting were undertaken for the sick poor.

SISTER EDITH,
Branch Secretary.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

OTTAWA.—Though we have unfortunately to report a decrease in numbers this year, our membership having dropped from seventy-three to fifty, we have no other cause for discouragement in our outlook for the coming year. Five of our good Members have left the city, and of eight who brought us letters of commendation, two went at once further west, and three found themselves unable to join our Branch, owing to the claims of relatives with whom they are living. Some of our Members have been tempted away by the attractions of other societies, but with all this the work done by our loyal and faithful Members is quite equal to that of past years. Our annual subscription to the Children's Hospital has been paid. A large parcel of useful clothing and toys were sent at Christmas to a poor Mission, and some other charitable work of a similar character has been done.

L. C. WICKSTEED,
Secretary.

GANANOQUE.—The Girls' Friendly Society still continues its work quietly, having undertaken to raise funds to pay two mortgages on the parsonage, one for \$350, and the other for \$1,000. In the past two years we have paid the first of these, and on June 12th will have \$200 to pay on the second. The money is raised principally by means of our Mite Society, each girl taking a district, calling on the Church people once a month for a mite from five cents to fifty cents, as the donors can afford. By this means we get from \$15 to \$20 per month. We also held an entertainment, making \$9 after expenses. The membership remains about the same as last year—three new Members have joined us, two have left and are living in Toronto. We meet once a week during the winter months. The

Rector explains the Bible lesson for the following Sunday, which is a great help to the girls, as many of them are Sunday-school teachers. During the summer we meet once a month to receive the mite collections.

MINNIE L. LEGGE,
Secretary.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

SHERBROOKE.—This Branch at present comprises eight Associates, fourteen Members, and six Probationers. It meets fortnightly except during the summer vacation, and the meetings are always opened and closed with prayer and hymns. Some of the evenings are devoted to amusement, and others to work for some charitable object. During Advent we assisted the Christmas Club in making clothing for the poor of the parish, and since that time we have been working for an Indian Mission. The Rector is generally present during part of the evening, and frequently makes a short address or reads an interesting and instructive paper.

The Annual Tea took place on January 7th, in the Church Hall, and we are to have a picnic before separating for the summer.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

LONDON, HELLMUTH COLLEGE BRANCH.—This Branch has held twenty-four meetings, and of these the alternate ones were Bible Classes, and on the other nights instruction was given in English History, which proved very interesting, and in reading, writing and spelling. A good deal of work was done for the bale sent to the Sarcee Indian Mission. The willing hands of our Members made light work of a number of quilts, etc., which have been thankfully acknowledged by the Missionary in charge. During Mr. Grubb's Mission in London our Members attended his services frequently, and enjoyed them very much.

I have the pleasure of adding three new names to our roll, but we have lost some of our old Members, who have gone away.

We are hoping for a year of happy and useful work, for which I know some of us will make a great effort.

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The distance from other Branches is very disheartening to our Members, but I know of no help for that while the other Churches here are not interested in the G. F. S.

We find our Society a great help and a great bond, linking us all together in our daily lives and work. If other ladies in similar institutions would form a Branch, or allow some one else to do so, for the benefit of the young women in their employ or in their neighborhood, they would feel the benefit of it in the confidence established between both parties and the increase of interest on both sides, apart from the reflex blessing which God gives to those who work for others as their offering to Him.

Very respectfully yours,

MARY S. ENGLISH,

Associate.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE G. F. S. IN THE DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

The Branch Secretaries give so full an account of the good work being done in the Diocese of Niagara that there seems little left for the Diocesan Secretary to record. The number of Candidates has greatly increased since last year, and work among the Members is most encouraging. We would strongly recommend to Associates the Communicants' League. It is helpful to those girls who are perhaps the only communicant in the home. They will be less afraid to come to the Holy Communion if they know their Associate will expect to meet them at that highest service.

The Annual Tea and Service will be held the last week of May, as it was unanimously resolved by the President and Associates that the late spring would be more in harmony with the usual bright and hearty service, and again, it would bring together the Members before the Branches disband for the summer.

It is with much pleasure we submit the third report of Holiday House. The House has been an untold blessing and comfort to those whose privilege it was to be there last summer. It was open ten weeks, and in that time received eighty-one guests. Sixty were Hamilton girls, eight from Toronto, and twelve from other parts of Ontario. Almost every creed was also represented, but all joined in

the short Church services morning and evening. The lower terms increased the number of applicants, and we feel more than thankful for the success which has attended Holiday House during the past year, the mortgage having been reduced to \$325, and we extend to Miss Swanzy a hearty vote of thanks for her able management of Holiday House, with warm appreciation of her work by the G. F. S. in the Niagara Diocese.

EUGENIE L. STILWELL,

April 27th, 1896.

Diocesan Secretary.

NOTE.—On the evening of May 26th a service for the combined G. F. S. Branches was held in the Cathedral. Each Branch was distinguished by a particular flower and the effect was very pretty. After the service, at which a large number of girls were present, all adjourned to the School House, where presentations were made to Mrs. Hamilton and her daughters, who have taken the warmest interest in the G. F. S. during their residence in Hamilton, where their departure is sincerely regretted by all. Miss Hamilton was given the badge of the Society, made in gold and affixed to a pin. She was for some time G. F. S. Secretary for the Diocese, and lately as the energetic Secretary-Treasurer of Holiday House, and of St. Luke's Branch, has done much to advance the interests of the Society.

THE CATHEDRAL BRANCH.—Our meetings this year have been very successful and well attended. We have now fifteen Members and an average attendance of ten. Two new Members have been admitted and two more Probationers are waiting for admission. So though we have lost six of our old members, we feel the interest growing in the work. Two of those who have left us have obtained situations in the States, one has been married, one has returned to her home in Scotland, and two have joined other Branches in the city, as they were too far away to attend our meetings. We have tried to have a Bible Class one evening in the month, a recreation evening, and the other evenings have been devoted to work. Before Christmas we worked on a warm quilt, which, when finished, we gave to a poor family, who were most grateful.

At the beginning of the New Year we had our usual Christmas Tree for little children, each child receiving a doll, warm garment,

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candies, and an orange, these things being contributed by the girls themselves, who each brought a child, and enjoyed the treat as much as the little ones. We are all much delighted to welcome Miss Ridley home from Germany, where she has been spending some months. The girls have been particularly interested in her account of her trip, and all feel that they have learned something by her experiences.

ALEXANDRA MACINNES,

Secretary (pro tem.).

ST. LUKE'S BRANCH.—We have had a most satisfactory year in this Branch, the girls all showing so much interest in the meetings, and being very regular in their attendance. We have been working all winter at a quilt, which we hope to sell and give the proceeds towards the debt on the Church. Our Communicants' Class, held once a month, has proved a great help in keeping the girls regular in their attendance at the Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month.

No one knows with what regret my sister and I leave our G. F. S. work at St. Luke's, owing to our removal to Ottawa. During seven years we have had these girls with us every Friday evening and strong bonds of love and friendship have been formed between us; a great many girls have married during this time, but they have always retained their interest in the G. F. S., and attended the Communicants' Class.

LILIAN HAMILTON,

Secretary-Treasurer.

ST. PETER'S BRANCH.—There have been, during the past winter, twenty-six meetings of the Members of this Branch, at which there has been an average attendance of eleven, out of our twenty old members. Several of our candidates have become old enough to join as members during the year; some new Members have joined, and one has been commended from the Cathedral Branch, having come to live nearer this one. Including Candidates, Associates, old and new Members, we now number forty-five.

Our Members have joined heartily in talent work, that is, getting ten cents, and, by their industry and ability, endeavouring to in-

crease it manifold: various expedients have been tried, crochet, netting, hem-stitching, milk-weed pompons, candy, cold cream, aprons, etc. With the result it is intended to furnish a guest chamber at Holiday House.

Needle-work and Scripture study have gone hand-in-hand at all our meetings, except at the monthly lessons on Domestic Science—nursing or cooking—which usually prove too absorbing to allow time for anything else. The Secretary of St. Luke's Branch came one evening and told us of the benefits they have found from forming a Communicants' League, the St. Agnes' Guild, and we have all joined as Probationers. Some of our Members have written excellent reports of the Branch, but many that are quick with the needle are slow with the pen.

We hope to continue our meetings until June, when the Annual Festival will be held in the Cathedral, and every Branch will have an emblem flower, and most of us hope to meet during the summer at Holiday House.

K. G. SWANZY,
Branch Secretary.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.—We are pleased to be able to report that the interest in the work still continues in this Branch. Weekly meetings have been held during the winter and have been very well attended. The meetings opened at 7.30. After the Office was said the girls worked industriously at their sewing, during which time an interesting story was read aloud. The latter part of the evening was spent listening to an address by Sister Eveline, of the Sisters of the Church. The girls have greatly appreciated these addresses, and we have reason to believe that they derived much benefit from them.

We are very much encouraged by the good work done by the Candidates' Class, which now numbers fifty-nine. The Associates, Miss L. Stiff, Miss E. O'Neil, and the Misses Taylor, have been very faithful in their efforts to make the meetings successful.

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SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT, APRIL, 1896.

At the last Annual Meeting held on Monday, April 29th, 1895, the collectors, who were Misses Ridley, A. MacInnes, B. Bruce, D. Bruce, Stilwell, J. MacInnes, Bull, H. Howard, and E. Hamilton, reported having collected \$173.75. \$100 of this amount was paid off on the mortgage, \$30 to the carpenter for necessary work done at Holiday House, and \$17.50 for interest due May 31st, 1895, leaving a balance of \$26.25, which it was decided to spend on painting the House. The Committee were also enabled by several later donations to put in a drive pump near the kitchen door which proved a great convenience.

The St. Luke's Boys' Brigade were allowed to use Holiday House on the Queen's Birthday, and enjoyed their pleasant tea party there, as well as their afternoon on the Beach. The G.F.S. were very pleased to lend Holiday House to Mr. Geoghegan for his boys during the month of June. Holiday House was opened in July and August, and an account of the summer's work is given in Miss Swanzy's report. As will be seen, no money sent to the Treasurer of Holiday House was spent on the running expenses, these were met by the fees charged, and showed at the end of the season a deficit of \$15.48, which Miss Swanzy very kindly donated.

Through donations and the sale of work the Treasurer was able to pay the interest, \$15, due November 31st, 1895, and also to pay off \$50 on the mortgage. Holiday House was taxed to the amount of \$5.08, but through Mr. Geoghegan's kindness in attending Saltfleet Council on behalf of Holiday House, the Council made up the amount among themselves, and Holiday House was thus relieved of its taxes. Miss Browne and the Agenoria Society very kindly gave the proceeds of their lunch and sale of work to Holiday House, and thus \$125 more were paid off on the mortgage, leaving the amount now at \$325. As the Associates have kept on working there is now a balance of \$21.16 to the credit of Holiday House, which it is proposed to put by for the debt, although a new cooking stove is very much needed, the one we have now being an old one given to us two years ago, and hardly equal to the demands made upon it in the summer when the House is full.

N.B.—The mortgage debt has since been reduced to \$200.

DIOCESE OF COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, ST. BARNABAS'.—The work of our Branch is still progressing, and the attendance very good. After three months' holiday we commenced our work for the winter by having our Annual Church Service, when His Lordship Bishop Perrin gave us an address and a motto for the year, "Gain Fresh Strength," which we are trying (with God's help) to do.

Our girls seem to take more interest in their work each month. We have twenty-five good members, but have lost several, as they are studying at school and do not feel able to give their evenings to anything else.

One of our girls was married, and we presented her with a marriage card in a pretty gilt frame. She was delighted with it and to think the Members thought so much of her. We often go to see her in her pretty little home.

We have arranged our work for the winter as follows:—First meeting in the month, sewing. We have not had sewing before, so this year we thought it would be a good idea to make some fancy and useful articles, then have a sale of work and garden party at the end of the summer, to encourage the girls to work and learn to sew and crochet.

We have a Reading Class held by Mrs. Taylor, an Associate. We choose a book and read it, then discuss it, and ask and answer questions; the one who can answer the most questions receives a little prize. These evenings prove very interesting, as quite a contest is carried on.

Dr. Mary McNeill still continues her course of lectures. We appreciate them very much, as they are very instructive, and we gain good practical knowledge by them. The Doctor gives these lectures gratis, so last year, to show our appreciation, we presented her with a silver inkstand and gold pen. The Doctor was delighted with the gift and expressed her thanks.

The Rev. J. B. Haslam, our Rector, still holds his Bible Class. We are studying Nehemiah this year. Several of our girls were confirmed this year, and I am happy to say nearly all of them are communicants and attend church regularly. We have had two girls transferred from England to our Branch; they arrived safely and are both in good situations in this city.

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Our Talent fund was a success ; the girls made \$15. They spent the money in buying three pairs brass Altar vases of different sizes and presented them to St. Barnabas' Church as their Easter offering. They have taken the Talent money again this year. The girl who made the most money by her talent was presented with a prize from our Associate, Mrs. Bayne.

Our little magazine, "A Friendly Leaflet," was quite a success. We could not afford to have it printed, so one of our girls kindly wrote it out for us. We are going to work on another copy.

We had our Annual Social, and a very happy gathering it was. The girls arranged it all themselves. The programme was excellent and showed our girls to be very intelligent. Each girl brought one friend, with the object of getting her to join us. Refreshments were served, and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

Miss Perrin, our President, gave an At Home after her return from England, to which she invited all Members and Associates, and a very pleasant evening was spent, there being twenty-eight present.

HELEN BRADBURY,

Secretary.

We are pleased to hear that a second Branch is being organized in Victoria.

DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.

The G. F. S. was organized in this Diocese in August, 1895, when the Hon. Mrs. Fetherstonhaugh, of the English Central Council, came to Canada for the purpose. A small Home was opened at Indian Head, the house being given and furnished by Lady Brassey. It is intended as a Home for the reception of English girls and others seeking employment in the North-West. It was opened by their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Aberdeen during their visit to the North-West last summer, and an English matron was placed in charge of it. Mrs. Burn, wife of the late Bishop, consented to act as President in the Diocese, and a Branch was formed at Regina with encouraging prospects, but owing to the visit of Mrs. Burn to England during the winter, and the lamented death of the Bishop shortly after her return, no recent particulars have been obtained.

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FREDERICTON BRANCH.

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Members and Candidates	64

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Medley	Bishopscoote, Fredericton.
“ Kingdon	King street, “
“ Wilson	George street, “
Miss Jacob	Sunbury street, “
Mrs. Cowper	Marysville.
Mrs. McCarthey	Fredericton.
Mrs. Merritt	Victoria Mills, Fredericton.
Miss Morehouse	Marysville, Fredericton.

ST. JOHN.

ORGANIZED 1886.

Secretary-Treasurer.

MISS F. SNIDER,
43 Carleton street, St. John, N.B.

Honorary Associate	1
Working Associates	12
Members	27

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Miss Wright	Wright street, North end.
Mrs. Brigstocke	Charlotte street.
Miss Sadlier	Union street.
“ Patton	Spring street, North end.
Mrs. J. Hay	Horsefield street.
Miss Peters	Wright street.
“ Peacock	Winter street.
Mrs. Walker	Princess street.
“ J. R. Smith	Union street.
Miss F. Smith	Wright street.
Miss Murray	“ “

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DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

Patrons.

THE BISHOP OF TORONTO.

MRS. SWEATMAN.

The Toronto Diocesan Council, acting for the present as Central, consists of :

A President.

A Vice-President.

A Secretary-Treasurer.

Eleven Elected Members.

Branch Secretaries of the Diocese.

The Officers for 1894-95 :

President.

MRS. WOOD.

Vice-President.

MRS. KENRICK.

Secretary-Treasurer.

MISS BOULTON.

Elected Members.

MISS HOWARD.

MRS. FLEMING.

MRS. CAYLEY.

MRS. FOSTER.

MISS BARKER.

MRS. SULLIVAN.

MRS. BODY.

MRS. WELCH.

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS.

All Branch Secretaries in the Diocese.

TORONTO PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.

Working Associates.....	35
Honorary Associates.....	15
Members.....	90

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Broughall.....	The Rectory, St. Stephen's, Toronto.	
" Cayley	The Rectory, St. George's,	"
" Foster	185 Beverley street,	"
" Kenrick	209 John street,	"
" Wood	100 Pembroke street,	"
Miss Barker	31 Gwynne street,	"
" Boulton	15 Grange road,	"
" Howard	192 Carlton street,	"
" Carrington Smith	Pembroke street,	"

HOLY TRINITY PARISH—ORGANIZED 1882.

Mrs. Sullivan.....	6 Trinity square,	"
Miss Thompson.....	173 College Avenue,	"

ST. SIMON'S PARISH—ORGANIZED 1892.

Mrs. Blackburn	90 Howard street,	"
" Street Macklem	Mackenzie avenue,	"
" Fleming	36 Dale avenue	"
Miss Dixon	395 Wellesley street,	"
" Kirkpatrick	226 Carlton street,	"
" E. Clarke	21 Bleeker street,	"
" Frounce	14 Collier street,	"
" Blyth	424 Wellesley street,	"
" Murphy	43 Park road,	"
" E. Croft	Dale ave., Rosedale,	"
" Potts	499 Church street,	"
" Doble	620 Ontario street,	"
" Bannister	71 Maitland street,	"
" Johnson	534 Parliament street,	"
" Peterson ..	674 Ontario street,	"
" Hutchison.....	101 Howard street.	"

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER—ORGANIZED 1892.

Miss Evans	22 Sultan street.
Mrs. Albert Armstrong	Yorkville avenue.
Miss Ellerby	146 Bloor street west.
" Willson	626 Church street.
" Foster	1101 Yonge street.
" Pearce	14 Prince Arthur avenue.

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SOUTH BURLEIGH.

ORGANIZED 1895.

Secretary.

MISS A. BRONSON, Haultain P. O.

Working Associates	2
Members	4

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. C. Stone	Haultain, Peterboro' Co.
Miss A. Bronson	“ “ “

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

PATRON.

THE BISHOP OF MONTREAL.

President.

MRS. G. D. REDPATH.

Secretary.

MISS L. MUDGE, 29 Lorne avenue.

Elected Members.

MRS. HENSHAW.	MRS. BOTTERELL.	MRS. AUCHMUTY.
MRS. LINDSAY.	MRS. KIRKPATRICK.	MRS. H. HAGUE.
	MRS. FORGRAVE.	

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS.

All Branch Secretaries of the Diocese.

St. George's Church.

Secretary.

MISS S. H. WILLIAMS.

Honorary Associates	16
Working Associates	9
Members	58
Candidates	10
Friendly Helpers	5

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. B. Grier	1160 Sherbrooke street.
" W. Radford	1229 Dorchester "
Miss Radford	1199 " "
" L. Mudge	29 Lorne avenue.
" Durnford
" M. G. Durnford
" Williams	893 Sherbrooke street.
" S. Williams	893 " "
" Brock	160 Mansfield "

St. Jude's Church.

Secretary.

MISS A. RAFTERY, 50 Richmond square.

Honorary Associates	24
Working Associates	2
Members	40
Candidates	7

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Forgrave	49 Coursol street.
Miss Raftery	50 Richmond square.

St. John the Evangelist.

No returns.

Grace Church.

Secretary.

SISTER EDITH, 747 Wellington Street.

Honorary Associates	1
Working Associates	2
Members and Candidates	11

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Sister Edith	747 Wellington street.
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St. Thomas' Church.

Unattached Associate.....Mrs. J. F. Renaud.

Lachine.

Unattached Associate.....Mrs. Mussen.

Unattached Associate for Visiting Members not Attached to any Branch.

Miss Kerry149 Durocher Street.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

OTTAWA.

ORGANIZED 1883.

President.

MRS. TILTON.

Secretary.

MISS C. WICKSTEED, 136 Bay street.

Working Associates	12
Honorary Associates.....	2
Members	33
Friendly Helpers	3

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH.

Mrs. Tilton.....	37 Gloucester street.
Miss Arnoldi	115 Vittoria street.
" Snowdon	66 Lisgar street.
" Hicks.....	136 Slater street.

ST. JOHN'S PARISH.

Miss Thompson.....	93 Elgin street.
Mrs. Morris	219 Albert street.
Miss Whiteacres	22 Gloucester street.

CHRIST CHURCH PARISH.

- Miss Baker 5 Arthur street.
- " Wicksteed 136 Bay street.
- " B. Yielding 370 Slater street.
- " Ethel Everett 157 Frank street.

ST. ALBAN'S PARISH.

- Mrs. Caddy Besserer street.

GANANOQUE.

ORGANIZED 1892.

Secretary.

MISS M. LEGGE.

- Working Associates 1
- Members 18

NAME AND ADDRESS OF WORKING ASSOCIATE.

- Mrs. Auston Gananoque.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

SHERBROOKE.

ORGANIZED 1889.

President.

MRS. THORNELOE.

Secretary.

MISS W. WIGGETT.

- Working Associates 8
- Members 14

NAMES AND ADDRESS OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

- Mrs. Thorneloe 11 Montreal street.
- " Bowen 5 Queen street.
- Miss Bostwick 16 Prospect street.
- " Bennetts 10 Belvidere street.
- " Cowling 27 Commercial street.
- " W. Wiggett 2 Beckett road.
- Mrs. Keene Queen street.
- " Moe King street.

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DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

Patron.

BISHOP OF NIAGARA.

President.

Secretary.

MISS STILWELL, 55 Erie avenue, Hamilton.

HAMILTON PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.

St. Luke's.

ORGANIZED 1889.

Secretary.

MISS L. HAMILTON, 181 John street North.

Honorary Associate	1
Working Associate	1
Members	18

NAME AND ADDRESS OF WORKING ASSOCIATE.

Miss E. Hamilton 181 John street North.

St. Peter's.

ORGANIZED 1890.

Secretary.

MISS K. G. SWANZY, 46 Wentworth street.

Working Associate	2
Members	20
Candidates	9
Probationers	14

NAMES AND ADDRESS OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Miss K. G. Swanzy 46 Wentworth street.
 " Stiff Nelson avenue, Burlington.

St. John's.

REORGANIZED 1894.

Secretary.

MISS C. M. BRINE, Mountain avenue West.

Working Associates	5
Members	22
Candidates	59

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. E. F. Noyes.....	
Miss L. Stiff.....	Main street West.
“ E. O’Neil	206 Jackson street.
“ A. Taylor	86 Duke street.
“ M. Taylor.....	86 “ “

Christ Church Cathedral.

Secretary.

MISS RIDLEY, 57 Main street West.

Working Associates	2
Members	15

NAME AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATE.

Miss A. MacInnes	13 Herkimer street.
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St. Mark's.

REORGANIZED 1894.

No returns.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

ST. ANNE'S BRANCH.

ORGANIZED 1889.

Secretary.

MRS. ENGLISH.

Working Associate	1
Members	9

NAME AND ADDRESS OF WORKING ASSOCIATE.

Mrs. E. N. EnglishHellmuth College, London.

DIOCESE OF RUPERT'S LAND.

Diocesan Secretary.

MRS. MOORE, 166 Donald street, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

DIOCESE OF COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA.

St. Barnabas' Branch.

ORGANIZED 1892.

President.

MISS PERRIN.

Secretary.

MRS. BRADBURY, 117 Chatham street.

Working Associates	7
Members	25

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Miss Perrin	Bishop's Close.
Mrs. Taylor	12 Franklin street.
“ Caldwell	Church Hill.
“ Berkely	“ “
“ Bayne	Oak Bay.
“ Bradbury	117 Chatham street.
Miss Woods.....	28 North Park street.

DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.

No returns.

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Honorary Secretary.

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President.

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Honorary Secretary.

MISS PERRY.....Harvington, SIMLA.

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Diocesan Secretary.

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MRS. SANDFORD4 Hyde Park Square, LONDON, W.

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THE GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

Receipts and Expenditure for the Year Ending June 30th, 1896.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Balance in hand.....	Printing
Magazines, Christmas Cards, etc.....	Magazines, Christmas Cards, etc.....
Cards and Guides.....	Postage.....
Percentage on Branch Funds.....	Stationery
Various.....	Sundries
\$ 7 49	\$ 40 00
23 97	22 39
6 06	10 29
47 09	1 00
8 85	3 87
\$93 46	\$ 77 55
	Balance.....
	15 91
	\$ 93 46