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### **OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY.**

1. To bind together in one Society Churchwomen as Associates, and girls and young women as Members, for mutual help — religious and secular — for sympathy and prayer.

2. To encourage purity of life, dutifulness to parents, faithfulness to employers, and thrift.

3. To provide the privileges of the Society for its Members wherever they may be; by giving them an introduction from one Branch to another.

### **CENTRAL RULES.**

I. Associates to be communicants of the Church of England (no such restriction being made as to Members), and the organization of the Society to follow as much as possible that of the Church, being Diocesan and Parochial.

II. Associates (working and honorary) and Members to contribute annually to the funds; the former not less than sixty cents a year; the latter not less than twenty-four cents a year.

III. No girl who has not borne a virtuous character to be admitted as a Member, such character being lost, the Member to forfeit her card.

### **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

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.

THE  
*Girls' Friendly Society in Canada*

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**PRESIDENTS:**

THE BISHOPS OF THE CANADIAN CHURCH.

**PRESIDENT OF CENTRAL COUNCIL:**

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

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**SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.**

While we are able to report that steady and useful work has been carried on in the old Branches during the past year, it is a matter of great regret that no new ones have been formed, though doubtless this is largely owing to the fact that numerous societies for women and girls already exist in our own Church and other religious bodies. We feel sure, however, that if the wider claims and interests of this great international Society were better known and considered it would be seen that no merely local organizations could offer the same advantages.

Another hindrance to progress is found in the isolated position of many of our Canadian Branches, the Members of which feel cut off from the general interests and life of the Society and find it difficult to keep up their interest in the work. For this reason we welcome such occasions as are afforded by the Annual Meetings of the National Council and other large societies which bring together women from

distant parts of our wide Dominion and among whom are always found some of our fellow-workers in the Girls' Friendly Society.

Between forty and fifty members have been commended to the Canadian Branches from Great Britain and elsewhere during the year, the introduction thus provided proving in many instances a great help and encouragement to the newcomers.

Holiday House, at Hamilton Beach, was again open from June to September under successful management and was well filled. Several girls went from the Toronto Branches, but the majority of the guests were as usual from Hamilton and its neighbourhood. The Synod of the Diocese of Niagara at its last session, formally endorsed the work of the Society.

The Day of Intercession for the G. F. S. appointed by the English Central Council to be observed throughout the Empire by all Branches was June 22nd, and as last year most of the Canadian Branches took part in its observance. In Toronto the service was held at 8 p.m., and was preceded by an afternoon in the country; about 100 Associates, Members and friends, were present at the service.

The Society has been represented at the meetings of the Executive of the National Council by Mrs. Tilton, at the May meeting, held in Ottawa, and by the Central President, Mrs. Wood, at the meeting held in Toronto last February.

The Scripture Calendar issued by the Society in England is widely distributed among the Branches, and copies of the English and American magazines are taken.

Two ladies from Canada, Miss Wicksteed, Secretary of the Ottawa Branches, and Miss Bourne, the first Secretary

of the Branch in Vancouver were present and spoke at one of the meetings during the English Anniversary week last June.

The Colonial Committee of the English Central Council formed two years ago for the purpose of promoting closer union with the Branches of the Society in other countries, does much in collecting and forwarding information touching the needs and growth of the Society. Through it has come the proposal of the Parent Society of sending to Canada a lady with a thorough knowledge of the G. F. S. and its working, with the object of rousing further interest and explaining its scope and methods. The Canadian Branches, however, while fully recognizing the advantages of the scheme, fear that the expense involved would be at present an insuperable difficulty.

In conclusion, we cannot do better than quote from the Associates' Journal some remarks made by Mrs. Lefroy, President of the Diocese of Dublin, at a Conference of the Society recently held in Ireland. "There is no higher or nobler aim than the G. F. S. puts before its members, holding up to them the highest standard of purity, unselfishness, and sympathy, which should form part of the character of every woman worthy of the name. Our G. F. S. is a magnificent work of character making and character guarding." Only when the work is undertaken on this highest ground can its missionary, parochial, and social objects fall into their proper place, and the best kind of success be secured, not that of mere numbers but the strengthening and deepening of the moral and spiritual lives of Associates and Members alike.



The following item has just reached us. When the British Association met in Toronto two years ago, Mrs. Foster, an English G. F. S. Associate, accompanied her husband, now Sir Michael Foster. Through Mrs. Williamson, President of the Toronto Board of the Woman's Auxiliary to Missions, and a former G. F. S. Associate, she heard of the interest taken by some of the Canadian G. F. S. Branches in the Blackfoot Hospital near Gleichen, N. W. T. Recently, Mrs. Williamson received a large parcel of dresses for Indian women, and other things, made by the Members of Lady Foster's Branch in England, and thus a pleasant link of work and interest has been formed.

#### MEETINGS IN HAMILTON.

During the Annual Meeting of the National Council of Women which took place in Hamilton at the end of October, two G. F. S. meetings were held. One was a Conference held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall from 2.30 to 4 p.m. on October 23rd. About fifty Associates and others interested in the Society were present, including the Central President and Secretary and two other Associates from Toronto, Mrs. Hamilton, the Diocesan President for Ottawa, and Miss Murray, an Associate from St. John, New Brunswick.

The Rev. Canon Bland, Chaplain of the Society, opened the meeting with prayer. Mrs. Wood read the Central Rules of the Society and gave examples of its practical benefits, referring especially to the commendation of Members from one Branch to another. She also quoted the "Ten Reasons for Supporting the G. F. S.," urged the spread of the Society among girls in shops and factories, and the importance of forming Candidates' Classes. She

referred to the observance of the Day of Intercession on June 22nd, and spoke of the need for earnest-minded women to undertake the work of Associates. Canon Bland was called upon to speak and said he wished to impress his hearers with the need existing for the G. F. S. and then to induce them to take up the work. Girls cannot be expected to join unless they are sought out and informed of the Society's aims and objects. There is a great need among us for instructing our girls in the ordinary moral duties of a pure woman's life, and surrounding them with helps in living it. We want Associates who will act as Godmothers to the girls, feeling responsible for them. The first responsibility is prayer, the second, sympathetic work and correspondence with the absent ones. It is impossible to supply the needs without the workers.

Miss Murray then read the report of the Branch in St. John, New Brunswick; Mrs. Hamilton spoke of the work in Ottawa; and Canon Bland, of the Hamilton Branches. He also kindly read the report of Holiday House for the summer of 1899, which is given elsewhere, Canon Bland also spoke of the help it would be to the G. F. S. in Canada if English Associates visiting the country would make themselves known to the workers here and give the benefit of their experience, although at present we are unable to accept the suggestion of having a special speaker sent out to visit our various Branches.

Mrs. Wood spoke of the connection between the Colonial and Parent Societies through their representatives in England who attend the meetings of the Central Council in London, and report them to the Dioceses or countries they represent.

A valuable paper by the Bishop of Vermont on the "Special Characteristics of the G. F. S.," was read by Miss Boulton. Some questions were then asked and answered and the meeting adjourned.

The following suggestions were made in answer to the question, How to increase interest among Associates? Be interested yourself, study the literature of the Society so as to become familiar with its methods and capabilities, emphasize the spiritual side of the work.

The following evening a meeting was held in the Guild Room of the Cathedral, at which the Associates and Members of the four parochial Branches in Hamilton were present. The Diocesan President, Mrs. M. Wright, was in the chair and spoke some opening words of greeting, being followed by Canon Bland. The Central President, Mrs. Wood, addressed the Branches, encouraging them to fresh effort and telling of G. F. S. meetings she had attended in various places.

The Central Secretary congratulated the Hamilton Branches on what they had accomplished and spoke of the Society's doings in Toronto, and a short devotional office brought the meeting to an end.

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF HOLIDAY HOUSE, 1899.

The sixth season of Holiday House opened well under Miss MacKelcan's management at the end of June, and came to a close on the 7th September under Miss Sadlier.

The number who took advantage of this pleasant home was smaller than it should have been, 67 being the total number, of whom 18 were G. F. S. members, as compared with 26 for last year. The rooms on the first floor were

filled all summer and much appreciated, the occupants contributing not a little to the enjoyment of all by their kind thoughtfulness.

Financially, the season has been a successful one, the total receipts being \$295.25, expenditure \$237.55, leaving a balance of \$57.70, \$10 of which, however, had been advanced at the opening of the House.

Heartly thanks are due Mr. Fred. Lumsden for a kind donation of \$13.47, the proceeds of a concert held at his beach residence, and also the G. F. S. Branch of the Church of the Redeemer, Toronto, for a silk quilt, and to other kind friends for various donations.

It is a matter of regret that so few of the Associates of the Branches in Hamilton visited the House during the season, and may afford a partial explanation for the smallness of the number of G. F. S. Members taking advantage of the change and rest afforded by Holiday House.

The Associate in charge, would recommend that some steps be taken to improve the exterior of the House as well as render it more comfortable. The work could be more cheaply done in the fall of the year, and an expenditure of about \$45 would cover these improvements, which would add very much to the comfort and appearance of the House.

ELISA A. SADLIER,

*In charge August and September.*

#### Charges.

G. F. S. Members, per week .....	\$1 75
Non-Members and Associates, per week .....	2 75
Private rooms (one occupant), per week .....	4 00
Private rooms (two or three occupants), per week ..	3 50

#### Single Meals.

Dinner .....	15c.
Breakfast or Tea .....	10c.

### 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.

The age for entrance into membership of the Girls' Friendly Society has been set at fifteen years. This seems 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.

The advantages of Candidate work to the Society cannot be overestimated ; *i.e.*, (a) the important help of early training in principles of purity, modesty, and unselfishness ; (b) the value of preparation for membership ; (c) the opportunities it affords for enlisting those who, in some localities, are alone eligible for membership. Candidates pay no subscription, but on enrolment receive a special card, to be obtained from the Secretary.

## 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 neighbourhood 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.

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\* 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.

### 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.

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.

### G. F. S. MAGAZINES, ETC.

Girls' Quarterly	-	-	-	-	25	cts. per annum.
Friendly Leaves	-	-	-	-	40	" "
Associates' Journal and Advertiser	-	-	-	-	40	" "
Members' Cards and Guides	-	-	-	-	50	" 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.



REPORT OF WORK AND PROGRESS  
OF THE  
GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY IN CANADA.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON.—Since our last report the Members of our Branch have been able to place in the Bishop's hands the sum of \$25 to be added to the Building fund of the new Church at Marysville. Our little Candidates, too, have contributed \$10 to purchase an altar for the Mission Chapel at Morison's Mills, this amount being the result of more than two years, work by their tiny fingers, and the unwearied efforts of Mrs. Merritt, the Associate who has charge of the class in that locality.

Mrs. Cowper having been obliged to resign, the Secretary has now taken charge of the Members' class which meets at her house on Tuesday evenings, and the Candidates' class in the city. This meets after school hours on Monday afternoons in a room over the Madras school which has been fitted up for the purpose, and where, after the work is over, they are allowed to have a good romp before parting.

MARY NAMERIA JACOB,  
*Diocesan and Branch Secretary.*

ST. JOHN.—The weekly meetings of the St. John Branch have been held much as usual. The membership has, we fear, slightly decreased, for our average is thirty with ten Associates. We are not, however, discouraged, for the girls who come are interested and the decrease in numbers may partly be due to the increase of parochial guilds and associations of all sorts.

There are two non-resident Members, living in isolated districts, who had come to our Province well recommended by their English Associates and who have seemed much helped and comforted in their distant country homes by an occasional letter and printed matter. This seems one of the ways in which the G. F. S. can stretch out a helping hand.

The work of the girls has been utilized by their sewing for charitable institutions of our own city such as The Little Girls' Home and The Seaman's Mission, while they have sent gifts to Diocesan and Foreign Missions.

Part of each evening has generally been given to music.

The Annual Service was held on the Feast of the Epiphany and again in Trinity Church, where an admirable address was given by Archdeacon Brigstocke. The service was followed by the usual social gathering at the rooms which was particularly bright and successful in every way. The cards were presented, also some calendars given by an ever thoughtful Associate.

Early in the year we, in common with the Church at large, sustained a severe loss in the death of Archdeacon Brigstocke, who had always cared most kindly for our interests, both temporal and spiritual. This sad event in our history has also deprived us of the valuable services of Mrs. Brigstocke, who has removed from St. John. There was a resolution of sympathy from Members and Associates forwarded to Mrs. Brigstocke, to which she sent a fitting reply.

Miss Jane Barlow has again kindly taken the Bible Class.

The Day of Intercession for the G. F. S. was marked with us by a service at Trinity Church, where the Archbishop of York's beautiful prayer was used and suitable hymns sung.

One of our Members having suffered severe personal loss in a recent devastating fire, some little gifts were provided by a few of the Associates. She was not only most grateful for what was given, but seemed to value even more highly the sympathy which had dictated the loving service.

One of our Members was married during the year, very happily we believe.

The closing meeting was held on June 10th.

L. L. LANGAN,

*Secretary-Treasurer.*

## DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TORONTO.—The four Parochial Branches of the G. F. S. in the city of Toronto are at present the only ones in the Diocese, but we hope to extend the work.

Six meetings of the Council have been held, including the Annual Meeting held in Holy Trinity School House on October 28th, 1898, at which Miss Ridley, Secretary of one of the Hamilton Branches, was present, and read the report of Holiday House. A summary of the Canadian Report for the year was read, also reports of two meetings held in Montreal at which several of the Canadian Dioceses were represented.

Mrs. Moore's report from England of the meetings held during the anniversary week there was read, and addresses were given by Mrs. Wood and by a former Associate, Mrs. Davidson. Tea was afterwards provided through the kindness of the Secretary of Holy Trinity Branch.

The service on the Day of Intercession was held in St. John's Church, Norway, through the kindness of the Rev. W. Baynes Reed—all four Branches were present and St. George's, the Church of Redeemer and St. Simon's Branches spent the afternoon in the country and had tea before the service.

The Branches were also invited to attend the Annual Meeting held in the interests of the Blackfoot Hospital and to bring in the collecting boxes taken for it. Their contents amounted to \$50, which was below the sum raised last year.

As many of the Members as could be assembled at very short notice were taken by Mrs. Wood to see the Canadian Historical Exhibition held last June.

Nine Members have been commended to the Toronto Branch during the year, and three married Members introduced.

The death of Miss Evans, Parochial Secretary of the Church of Redeemer Branch, is a great loss to her fellow-workers in Toronto. The Diocesan Council at its last meeting passed a resolution of sympathy with her family and Branch.

A vote of thanks was received from the Committee of Management of Holiday House thanking the Toronto Diocesan Branch for its generous gift of \$20 to the funds of Holiday House last year, and for all the kind interest shown in its welfare.

Canon Macnab, of St. Martin's, Davenport, has kindly undertaken to give a lecture in Holy Trinity School House on November 30th, on behalf of the Central Fund of the G. F. S.

HOLY TRINITY.—This Branch worked steadily each week from September, 1898, to the middle of June, 1899, with very few exceptions. Our growth, we feel, is not in proportion to our years as the oldest Branch in Toronto, still we hold our own. The work done each year is much the same, some parochial, some missionary, then we have our evenings for recreation, Bible classes, and an occasional evening at a friend's house. Miss McClean, an artist, kindly came and gave the girls a lesson in Physical Culture one evening, and afterwards invited the Branch to spend what proved a most enjoyable evening with her.

Our good President, Mrs. Wood, invited us and the Members of another Branch to a pleasant gathering at her house one evening when she gave a prize for the best made needlebook, Mrs. Pearson kindly giving a second prize. One warm evening Mrs. Pearson treated the Branch to a bountiful supply of ice cream and cake.

We have, indeed, many kind friends to thank, among whom I should like to mention Mrs. Charles Thompson, Mrs. McAuley, Miss Christian, Miss Skuce, and several of the Members who have given us substantial help in the way of material for our work, and to all of whom we are most grateful.

Our girls greatly enjoyed the service in the Parish Church at Norway on the Day of Intercession, and our year's work closed very happily with a picnic to High Park one lovely afternoon in June. Two of our Members paid a visit to Holiday House this summer, and it proved so pleasant that they look forward to repeating it, and doubtless will induce others to follow their example.

H. M. SULLIVAN,  
*Associate.*

CHURCH OF REDEEMER.—This Branch has suffered a severe loss in the death of its most capable and devoted Secretary, Miss Evans, who, for the last four years, has held the office. Throughout her illness, which was borne with wonderful patience and cheerfulness,

she maintained her interest in the Branch and was frequently visited by Associates and Members, by whom her words and her example will not be forgotten.

In her absence the Branch was successfully carried on by Miss Millman and other Associates. Several of the old Members have gone away but new ones have taken their place, and there are now twenty-five Members and six Associates.

The annual Christmas treat given by the Branch to sixty-five very poor children and their parents was very successful, gifts of warm clothing being provided as well as good cheer. Four warm quilts and some baby clothes were also made, and a lovely silk quilt for Holiday House. The meetings were well attended and a lively interest shown by the Members. The Branch held its closing meeting for the season at the beginning of May, when the Clergy of the Church were present and addressed the girls, as did also Mrs. Wood, the Central President.

The kind interest taken in the Branch by the Rev. G. A. Rix has been warmly appreciated. The Branch had a very successful picnic to Munro Park on June 6th. One of the Members was married, and has been given the Society's marriage card.

ST. SIMON'S.—We are glad to be able to report a successful year's work in our Parochial Branch. Weekly meetings were held from October to May, and much interest has been taken in the work. Warm and useful garments were made and 103 were sent at Christmas-tide to the Seaton Village Mission under the direction of the Sisters of St. John the Divine. Eighty finished garments are still on hand, making a total of 183. Through the mission boxes our Branch contributed \$17.19 to the Blackfoot Hospital.

We look forward with pleasure to resuming our work in the autumn.

FLORENCE BLYTH,

*Secretary.*

ST. GEORGE'S.—Four meetings of this Branch were held during the summer at Erlescourt, the beautiful home of the Associate, Mrs. Foster, and each month during the rest of the year they met at the houses of two married Members, except on one occasion when they

were invited to Weston to {the home of another Member. The Branch contributed \$3.65 to the Blackfoot Hospital besides giving money earned by their needlework to St. John's Hospital, the Kilburn Sisters' Orphanage, and St. Mary Magdalene's Church. Seven Members of the Branch spent some time at Holiday House and much enjoyed the change.

Mrs. Foster, who is spending some months in Germany, sends a monthly letter to be read at the Branch meetings thus keeping in constant touch with her Members.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

The work of the Girls' Friendly Society, presents no very new features from year to year, but we trust that it gives a record of steady work carried on by the Officers and Associates quietly, and bringing forth good fruit.

The Branch reports are especially interesting this year, giving hope for the future and recording progress, especially is this the case, in the Branch of St. John the Evangelist, but each Branch is fortunate in having a Secretary, who has the work at heart, and spares no pains to carry it on successfully, although often amidst discouragements, but what work is there, where these will not be found?

The returns for commended Members are as follows: Since May, 1898, we have had twenty-four Members commended.

From England.....	13
“ Ireland .....	9
“ Scotland .....,.....	2

Of these twelve did not remain in Montreal, one went to Vancouver, three to Manitoba, one to San Francisco, and the others to various parts of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

Some of those going to the North-West were met by the Matron of the “ Andrews Home,” and after resting there, were seen off by rail to their various destinations.

As usual, we have lost many Members through the love of change and desire to travel. Three have returned to England and three to New York, where they are doing well, and very grateful letters are

received by the Secretary from time to time, showing that they have not forgotten their Branch in Montreal. The Annual Festival was held in the Synod Hall, and the attendance was the largest we have ever had. The presence of the Bishop was a great source of pleasure, knowing the deep interest he takes in the work of the Society. The Diocesan President, Mrs. G. S. Redpath, was also there, and gave a very interesting address to the Associates and Members, several of the Clergy were present, and the usual programme of music, songs, recitations and speeches, was successfully carried out. Last year at our Festival, we had the pleasure of welcoming Miss Whiteway, G. F. S. Secretary for St. Johns, Newfoundland, but in less than a year after, her work was ended, and she has been called to the rest of Paradise, dying far from her home, in South Africa, where her father, Sir William Whiteway, had taken her in the hope of restoration of her health, her loss will be deeply felt in St. Johns, where she worked so lovingly and so earnestly for the welfare of those around her. To all of us this sad event seems to bring the message, "Work while it is day, the night cometh when no man can work."

The Annual Service was again held in St. George's Church by the kind permission of the Dean, and was well attended. The Rev. Canon Dixon, Rector of St. Jude's, was the preacher on the occasion, taking for his text the words, "She hath done what she could," and applying them to the work of the G. F. S. in a very practical manner. The Dean conducted the rest of the service, and there were also present the Revs. O. W. Howard and Rev. G. Johnson.

Our representative at the Central Council, London, England, Miss Williams, spent the past winter at the Cape of Good Hope, and wrote a most interesting account of a G. F. S. Festival which she attended at Cape Town, and which was held in the grounds of the Hon. Cecil Rhodes. The room in the "Andrews' Home" is still rented by the G. F. S., and is a great comfort to Members when needing a rest, or, when passing through to other places. The last occupant was a Member who had been in the General Hospital.

The Secretary has had much pleasure in visiting the Branches and meeting their Members, and would like to give details of these visits, but they would make the report too long.

She would desire to thank the Secretary and Matron of the "National Immigration Home" on Osborre street, and the Matron and other officials of the "Andrews' Home," for their kindness and courtesy in giving her every assistance with regard to G. F. S. Members who pass through these Homes, and also to mention the kind care our invalid Members receive at that invaluable institution "The Moore Home."

We regret very much Sister Edith's absence through ill-health, but we trust that she will return with renewed health and strength for the work in which she takes such a deep interest, and that Grace Church will yet be a vigorous Branch.

At the last meeting of the Board, held April 14th, it was proposed by Mrs. Lindsay, and seconded by Mrs. C. E. Torrance, "that the officers of the Board be re-elected for the ensuing year." Carried unanimously.

The Annual Business Meeting was held on Ascension Day, May 11th, in the Library of the Synod Hall, the Bishop presided.

LAURA MUDGE,  
*Diocesan Secretary.*

ST. GEORGE'S BRANCH.—Since the opening of the season, October 4th, 1898, St. George's Branch has held thirty meetings up to the present date, with an average attendance of seventeen.

Notwithstanding the formation of another society for young women in our own Parish since last year, our attendance continues at the same figure as for 1897-1898. Out of eighty-one names on the roll, about thirty more than last year, nearly two-thirds are regular comers, the remaining third being a floating contingent. It is, therefore, a cause for gratulation that we have been able to provide pleasant and edifying evenings for so many transients. The year's work has been quietly steady-going. Although the Members were asked to consider the advisability of interesting themselves in new objects, they unanimously chose to continue their work for the "Deep Sea Mission" at Labrador, in pursuance of which a barrel has been packed with gifts: garments cut out by one of our most active Members and made by the others, knitted articles, and with these are some second-hand clothes in good repair. An appreciative



letter of thanks from the Superintendent of Battle Harbour Hospital, for last year's offering, gave further encouragement and stimulus to their exertions.

During last summer some of the girls made collections of wild flowers, and prizes were given for two very creditable sets of specimens.

The melodeon, which through the kindness of the Dean and the co-operation of Mr. Willis, we have acquired at a moderate outlay, has aided in the heartiness of our hymn singing.

A donation of material from Mrs. Haycock came most acceptably to our enthusiastic workers for Labrador, and in return six Members undertook to dress dolls for the Christmas Tree of the Maisonneuve Mission of our Parish Church.

On October 25th, Mrs. Parker, St. Louis, U. S., a delegate the following week to the Washington G. F. S. Convention, gave us an earnest and helpful address.

The "Members' evening," a bi-yearly institution in our Branch, came off with much enjoyment on the 10th January. On these occasions the Members' talent furnishes songs and recitations, and the proceedings conclude with refreshments. Another of these social events will mark the close of the season in May.

The usual "Pound Party" was held on 31st January, and many substantial tokens of G. F. S. good-will were heartily enjoyed by the inmates of the "Moore Home," and "Home for Old People," to which institutions they were subsequently carried.

One very pleasing incident this winter was the presentation by the girls, of a watch to an old and esteemed fellow Member, a spontaneous expression of those sentiments which it is the chief object of the Society to foster.

Both the Annual Festival and the Annual Service were well attended by our Branch.

This Branch as hitherto maintains half the expense of the G. F. S. room in the "Andrews' Home."

We have to thank our Clergy for their good offices, and for valuable and impressive addresses always keenly prized. Thanks are also due to our Honorary Associates for continued kind support.

In the death of Mrs. James Hutton, our Branch laments the loss

of an Associate whose interest in the Society was most sincere and sympathetic.

With the weekly meeting, with new comers to look up, and sick Members to visit, the duties of a Working Associate are constantly increasing, and could we effectively add to their number, great would be the advantage and benefit. But experience has shown that not every one is fitted for G. F. S. work, and progress is consequently slow. We look forward to strengthening our staff efficiently next year and meanwhile the G. F. S. speaks on the part of the Parish as a whole a larger place in its affections.

K. A. CHIPMAN,  
*Branch Secretary.*

ST. JUDE'S BRANCH.—This Branch opened for the season by giving a social on 24th of October, in the Lecture Hall of the Church, to which the members invited their friends. Thirteen meetings for needle work have been held during the winter with the result that a nice lot of flannel garments are ready for distribution to the needy in the fall of the year, and a number of sheets and pillow cases ready, when needed, for the poor and sick. We helped the Ministering Children's League with their barrel which they send to the North-West, by giving them a cloth quilt and some clothing. We held our second Annual Sale on April 4th, the proceeds of which were about \$80. We gave \$50 to the Church and the remainder to the poor fund and other organizations.

Our Society does not increase in numbers, this year we have had six new Members, but our report shows a gain of only two over last year, but it must be remembered that each year we lose several through marriage. Two of our old Members have become Honorary Associates, others have moved away.

The work for our Sale was done at home by the Associates and Members. The Secretary feels very grateful to the Members and Associates for the zealous way they have worked and assisted her this winter.

We intend closing May 15th.

ANNA RAFTERY,  
*Branch Secretary.*

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST BRANCH.—The Annual Meeting of this Branch was held in the Parish Guild Room on March 7th, the Rev. A. French presiding. The Secretary's report showed a steady increase in membership and interest during the year. Twenty-one meetings had been held with an attendance of from eight to twenty-four. On November 3rd of last year, a parlour concert was kindly given by Mrs. C. E. Saunderson, to raise money for the expenses of the Branch; and on December 13th, a social and sale of useful garments was held for the same purpose; on January 24th, Miss Hunter of the High School, gave a charming account of her bicycle trip in England last summer. Another evening was taken up by Miss McQuat, with a talk on "How to Preserve Health." Miss Holland lately told us so much that was of interest about her Church Embroidery class in London, England, in connection with the G. F. S., that we would like to form a similar class here. The French Class was well attended but the Associate in charge has had to give it up for the present owing to illness. The Secretary having received instructions to push the formation of a Candidate's class for children, Miss Hague and Mrs. Lamplough undertook this work and formed a class of fourteen, but since Christmas a Junior Branch of the W. A. having been formed in the Parish, most of the children have joined that Society. However, this most interesting feature of our work is still kept in view and several children of twelve and fourteen years are forming a class at the evening meeting. The lending library formed by contributions from Associates and Members is much appreciated, and more books would be most acceptable. The sewing machine given by Mrs. A. E. Roe will be a great help, as a Sale is being worked for to be held next autumn. It is also intended that a small stock of ready-made clothing may be kept on hand for sale.

The Associates elected as officers for the ensuing year are:—

MRS. C. E. TORRANCE, *Branch Secretary.*

MISS GROSS, *Assistant-Secretary and Treasurer.*

MISS HAGUE, *Candidates' Associate.*

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. M. TORRANCE,

*Branch Secretary.*

GRACE CHURCH BRANCH.—No returns.

### DIOCESE OF OTTAWA.

OTTAWA.—Four Parishes are represented in this Branch, each has its own weekly meeting, and all have a joint meeting every month during the work season. Seven of these meetings have been held with an average attendance of sixteen.

Monthly meetings of Associates are also held. A Christmas bale was sent to the Rev. W. M. Quartermaine, Renfrew, for distribution among the poor of that district, and as usual five dollars was given to the Children's Hospital.

We regret the absence of our Secretary, Miss L. C. Wicksteed, but hope to have her with us again in the autumn with renewed strength.

A library has been started from which any Member may borrow books or papers. A very successful picnic was held at Aylmer last summer.

On Whitsunday the Branch met at a celebration of the Holy Communion, and the Chaplain gave a special address. The Branch also joined in keeping the Day of Intercession.

L. M. BURPE,  
*Secretary.*

### DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

SHERBROOKE.—This Branch has not been working for some months, nearly all the original Members having left the town or married, and the new ones have not shown the same interest. We hope, however, that the work may again be resumed; meanwhile we have the cheering news that a Branch is about to be organized in the city of Quebec.

### DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

GANANOQUE BRANCH.—It is with pleasure we again report a very successful year's work. When the Society was formed, in 1892, we started with a membership of nine, and four Associates, since then we have had a good many new Members, some have married, some have left town, and to-day we have about twenty-eight Members.

Mrs. Serson was appointed President at the beginning of the year, she has been a great help to the Society having the G. F. S. work at heart ; she has also formed a Candidates' class composed of sixteen young girls preparatory for the G. F. S. work.

The Rector held a special service on the evening of April 2nd, when thirteen new Members were received into the Society. We have raised \$100 during the past year towards reducing the mortgage on the parsonage, which in the past five years has been reduced from \$1,350 to \$500, principally by mite collections and "At Homes." We hold three meetings each month, the first week for the Candidates, the second week a business meeting, and the third week a social meeting, which is much appreciated by all the Members.

M. L. LEGGE,  
*Secretary.*

#### DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

There is little new for the Secretary to report this year. Work is going on steadily and quietly in the four Branches, but has not extended.

Great commendation is due to St. Peter's Branch for having kept together under very adverse circumstances. They closed their meetings for the season with a Concert and Sale of Work at which \$36 was made and devoted to purchasing a refrigerator for Holiday House.

Mrs. Townsend, the Foundress of the G. F. S., sent a valuable gift of books to us from England, which were greatly appreciate.

The Cathedral and St. George's Branches also held Sales of Work, and the energetic St. Luke's Branch, with their untiring Associate, paid as usual \$50 to the Church debt.

ISABEL LABATT,  
*Diocesan Secretary.*

CATHEDRAL BRANCH.—Our meetings have been very well attended and our girls have worked with great interest for any object we have undertaken. Before Christmas we almost clothed three little girls of a poor family in the Parish, and gave our usual Xmas treat of dolls, warm clothing, oranges, and candy, to seventeen little girls.

Afterwards we worked for a table at a Sale held by the Cathedral Guild in May. Half our proceeds went to the Debt fund of the Cathedral, and the rest to Holiday House.

One Admission Service has been held, and we have had our monthly Bible class taken by the Chaplain. Four girls have been commended to our Branch from England and have been most faithful attendants at our meetings. We have seven subscribers to the American G. F. S. Magazine, which we much enjoy.

LOUISA M. deR. RIDLEY,  
*Secretary.*

ST. PETER'S BRANCH.—The St. Peter's Branch of the G. F. S. recommenced in the basement of the Church in October, 1898. Several meetings were held, the Rector being present, who advocated that the Members work for the poor of the Parish.

About five meetings were held, when having no proper place for the meeting and no Associate, they were discontinued until the beginning of February, the Guild room being then placed at the disposal of the Society, the meetings were held there.

Great praise is due to two of the senior Members, Miss A. Powell (Treasurer), and Miss Schultze, who have worked indefatigably to keep the Society together. I am sorry to say many of the old Members have left from different causes; there being at present ten Members and an average of six present since it recommenced in February.

At the end of February at the repeated solicitations of several of the Members I rejoined the class, who have been working very hard and faithfully for the Bazaar in aid of Holiday House.

MARY A. ORTON.

#### CANDIDATES' CLASS.

The Candidates met for the first time this year on February 21st. Started a quilt for Holiday House, each girl contributing five cents towards the cost of same. Four of the older girls joined the G. F. S., leaving only seventeen Candidates, but hope to have a larger class next fall.

LILLIE JAMES,  
*Associate.*

ST. GEORGE'S BRANCH.—We have just closed what has been a most successful season in almost every way. Our work has consisted chiefly in making garments for the poor of the Parish; the demand being so great that it kept us busy from October until March supplying the really necessary clothing. We also introduced a new system—that of forming three committees, each composed of six Members for special work. The work of one committee was to visit and care for the sick, of another to be on the lookout for new Members for the G. F. S., and the third to visit new Members coming to the Church and Parish.

Instead of our usual sale of fancy work we closed the season with an "At Home" to which we invited all girls over fifteen years of age who are in any way connected with the Church. About sixty-five came and a very enjoyable evening was spent; we are hoping that it may be the means of increasing our membership which has remained at twenty-five.

E. H. GILLIES,  
*Associate.*

ST. LUKE'S BRANCH.—Since September, 1898, we have met regularly every week, having changed our evening to Wednesday. We have done needlework each night with the exception of the last Wednesday in the month, when the Associate in charge has given instructions on the Apostles' Creed. Several of our old Members who had for different reasons been obliged to absent themselves, have again returned. We managed to give our usual \$50 in the offertory at the New Year towards the debt on the Church, and since then with the proceeds of a concert we have almost got another \$50 ready. Our new Rector takes a great interest in the Girls' Friendly and seldom misses coming in and giving them a greeting and saying some kind words which they all appreciate. We had a large admission in the Church as Members had never been properly admitted into the Society, and it seemed to impress them all very much.

Last autumn we started a Junior Branch for children from seven upwards. This soon increased rapidly and now numbers seventy.

The children met every Saturday afternoon for about two hours. Part of the time was spent in teaching them to sew, and then they learnt drills, songs, etc., and always learnt a hymn or had prayers at the end; during Lent they had a short service and address after the meeting.

A prize was given at Christmas and another this summer for the most regular attendant. Several of the elder children will be promoted to the G. F. S. in September, D.V.

SISTER NORA,  
*Associate in Charge.*

#### DIOCESE OF COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, ST. JAMES' BRANCH.—This Branch has had a quiet and fairly successful year. Some Members have moved away and the new ones were not numerous enough to keep the numbers up to the standard of the first year.

Just after our Branch had closed for the summer last June, we and the Members of the late Branch in St. Barnabas' Parish, were entertained by the Bishop and Miss Perrin at Bishop's Close. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent by the girls and their friends, and after tea and numerous games the day closed with the Intercession Service in the Cathedral.

In September the Bishop held a service in St. James' Church and admitted two new Members, giving also a most helpful address.

During the winter we had a visit from Archdeacon Pentreath of Vancouver, who gave us an interesting account of the work of the Branch in that city.

Our literary evenings have been much enjoyed and also a party given by the girls to their friends.

The Rector continues the monthly Bible class.

The meetings were closed for the summer by an entertainment given by the Members.

EVA SWEET,  
*Secretary.*



## DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

VANCOUVER, CITY BRANCH.—We have had a very happy and successful year ; our weekly meetings have been well attended, some of our Members cannot attend every week but we see them all during the month, with the exception of those who live in the country.

Twenty-nine meetings have been held since November 3rd, 1898.

We hold our meetings in the Y. W. C. A. Reading room, which was kindly placed at our service by the ladies of the Board of Directors, and which is most comfortable and cosy, and very convenient as it is centrally located.

We have spent some of our evenings, sewing for the little Indian children in All Hallow's Sisters' School at Yale ; and have made twenty-eight garments, most of them were made during Lent, as a Lenten offering.

Mrs. Stitt kindly entertains us once a month, we make that our little business meeting, admitting Members and receiving fees, etc.

We have had several nursing lectures kindly given by Miss Hunter and Mrs. White, they were very much appreciated by the Members, as they were very practical and full of information.

Mr. Clinton, Rector of St. James', was very helpful to us during Lent. At one of our meetings he gave us an address on the Magnificat, which we all enjoyed, and held a special service in St. James' Church for us on Maunday Thursday, preparing us for Easter Communion, which the Members and Associates attended.

Miss Barnes, the City Missionary, addressed our meeting one evening on her city work and spoke most helpfully to us all, encouraging us in all our work for one another.

Mrs. Townsend has sent us quite a number of beautiful books for Members and Candidates, and one, "The Voice of Prayer," which was lent to a Member who was in St. Luke's Hospital, was, she says, most helpful to her during the time of her sickness.

Several Members have been commended to us from the old countries and are all well and in good situations.

Miss Stitt, one of the first Members of this Branch, was married last November, and a marriage card was presented to her by the Rev. Mr. Clinton. Miss Bourne, our late Secretary, also presented her with a membership card.

Miss Bourne, the organizer of this Branch, has returned to England, we miss her very much, but she does not forget us for she writes us a round robin letter every month, and often sends us books and papers and all the literature she can get concerning the G.F.S., and at Christmas she sent us each a kalendar and Christmas card.

We have made a few new members, and quite a number have gone away to other towns so that our roll is not so very large for a city Branch, but we are all going to try and get as many new Members as we can for next winter.

We are going to close for the summer at the end of June. Five new Associates joined last November and were admitted by Archdeacon Pentreath.

The Candidates' class has been conducted by Mrs. Mount and the meetings held at her house. The little folks are busy making a quilt for a child's cot, in the city hospital.

Archdeacon Pentreath has kindly offered to arrange the service for Intercession, which is to be held on Thursday, June 22nd, the day appointed by the English Central Council.

The delegates chosen to represent the G. F. S. at the Annual Meeting of the Women's Council were Mrs. Stitt, Mrs. Orr, and Miss L. Murray.

HELEN BRADBURY,  
*Secretary.*

LIST OF BRANCHES, OFFICERS, ETC.,  
OF THE  
Girls' Friendly Society in Canada.

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*President.*

MRS. WOOD, 100 Pembroke street, Toronto.

*Secretary-Treasurer.*

MISS BOULTON, 15 Grange road, Toronto.

*Representative on English Central Council.*

MRS. GEORGE MOORE, Deeside, Leatherhead.

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## DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

## DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

*Patron.*

MRS. MEDLEY.

*Secretary-Treasurer.*

MISS JACOB, FREDERICTON.

*Council.*

MRS. KINGDON.

MRS. DEVEBER.

MRS. COWPER.

MISS PETERS

and all Branch Presidents and Secretaries in the Diocese.

FREDERICTON BRANCH.

ORGANIZED 1882.

*Secretary.*

MISS JACOB.

Working Associates .....	5
Honorary Associates .....	1
Members and Candidates .....	50

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Kingdon, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. Medley, Mrs. Merritt.

ST. JOHN.

ORGANIZED 1886.

*Secretary-Treasurer.*

MISS L. LANGAN, 27 Horsfield street.

Working Associates .....	11
Members .....	20

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Walker, President; Mrs. Brigstocke, Mrs. J. Hay, Miss F. Smith, Miss Murray, Miss Patton, Miss Peacock, Miss Sadler, Mrs. McCaffery, Miss A. Symonds.

## DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

## DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

*Patrons.*

THE BISHOP OF TORONTO.

MRS. SWEATMAN.

Officers for 1899-1900

*President.*

MRS. WELCH.

*Vice-President.*

MRS. KENRICK.

*Secretary-Treasurer.*

MISS BOULTON, 15 Grange road.

*Elected Members.*

MISS HOWARD.

MRS. CAYLEY.

MISS BARKER.

MRS. FLEMING.

MRS. FOSTER.

MRS. SULLIVAN.

MRS. BODY.

MRS. HOWE.

MRS. ASHCROFT.

*Ex Officio Members.*

All Branch Secretaries in the Diocese.

## TORONTO PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.

Working Associates .....	33
Honorary Associates .....	11
Members .....	75

## WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Cayley, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Kenrick, Mrs. Wood, Miss Barker, Miss Boulton, Miss Howard, Mrs. Davidson.

**Holy Trinity Parish.**

ORGANIZED 1882.

*Secretary.*

MRS. SULLIVAN, 6 Trinity square.

Miss G. Thompson.

**St. Simon's Parish.**

ORGANIZED 1892.

*Secretary.*

MISS F. BLYTH, 101 Howard street.

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Miss Baker, Miss Charlesworth, Miss Clarke, Miss Croft, Miss Denroche, Miss Doble, Mrs. Fleming, Miss Howard, Miss Hutchison, Miss Iglestrom, Miss Johnston, Miss Kirkpatrick, Miss Lipscombe, Miss Peterson.

**Church of the Redeemer.**

ORGANIZED 1892.

*Secretary.*

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. P. M. Clark, Miss Duff, Miss Millman, Mrs. Plaskett, Miss Foster, Miss Bolster.

**St. George's Branch.**

ORGANIZED —.

*Secretary.*

MRS. FOSTER, Erlescourt, Davenport.

## THE GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY IN CANADA,

## DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

## DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

*Patron.*

THE BISHOP OF MONTREAL.

*President.*

MRS. G. D. REDPATH.

*Secretary.*

MISS L. MUDGE, 29 Lorne avenue.

*Elected Members.*

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

*Ex Officio Members.*

All Branch Secretaries of the Diocese.

**St. George's Church.***Secretary.*

MRS. WARWICK CHIPMAN, 957 Dorchester street.

Honorary Associates.....	12
Working Associates.....	8
Members.....	56
Friendly Helpers.....	5

## WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Miss Durnford, Miss Van Buskirk, Miss L. Mudge, Miss B. Macdonell, Miss M. G. Durnford, Miss Brock, Miss Williams, Miss S. Williams.

**St. Jude's Church.**

*Secretary.*

MISS A. RAFTERY, 50 Richmond square.

Honorary Associates.....	24
Working Associates.....	2
Members.....	45
Candidates.....	8

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Forgrave, Miss Raftery.

**St. John the Evangelist.**

*Secretary.*

MRS. C. E. TORRANCE, 103 Union Avenue.

Honorary Associates.....	6
Working Associates.....	12
Members.....	22
Candidates.....	7

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Auchmuty, Miss Hague, Miss Kerry, Miss Ross, Mrs. Sanderson, Miss Grose, Miss Aird, Mrs. Deane, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Lamplough, Mrs. W. Robertson.

**Grace Church.**

*Secretary.*

SISTER EDITH, St. Margaret's Home.

No returns.

WORKING ASSOCIATE.

Miss Basham.

**St. Thomas' Church.**

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

**Lachine.**

Unattached Associate ..... Mrs. Mussen.

*Associate for Visiting Members not Attached to any Branch.*

Miss Kerry ..... 149 Durocher street.



## THE GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY IN CANADA.

## DIOCESE OF OTTAWA.

## DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

*Patron.*

THE BISHOP OF OTTAWA.

*President.*

MRS. HAMILTON.

*Diocesan Secretary-Treasurer.*

MRS. CADDY.

*Branch Secretary.*

MISS L. BURPE, 67 Somerset street, Ottawa.

BRANCH ORGANIZED 1884.

Working Associates .....	14
Members .....	28
Friendly Helpers .....	6

## WORKING ASSOCIATES.

## ST. GEORGE'S PARISH.

Mrs. Tilton, Miss Hicks, Miss Chapiet, Miss Arnoldi, Mrs. McNeile, Miss Burpé, Mrs. Waite.

## Christ Church.

Mrs. Hamilton, Miss Baker, Miss Everett, Miss L. C. Wickstead

## St. John's.

Miss Thompson.

## St. Alban's.

Mrs. Caddy, Miss Yielding.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

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GANANOQUE.

BRANCH ORGANIZED 1892.

*Secretary.*

MISS M. LEGGE.

Working Associates .....	1
Members .....	28
Candidates .....	16

WORKING ASSOCIATE.

Mrs. Serson.

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DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

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SHERBROOKE.

*Secretary.*

MISS W. WIGGETT, 2 Beckett road.

No returns.

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## DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

## DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

*Patron.*

BISHOP OF NIAGARA.

*President.*

MRS. M. WRIGHT.

*Secretary.*

MRS. R. H. LABATT, 209 Macnab street S., Hamilton.

## HAMILTON PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.

**St. Luke's.**

ORGANIZED 1889.

*Secretary.*

SISTER NORA, 173 Macnab street N., Hamilton.

Working Associates .....	4
Members .....	32
Candidates .....	70

## WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Miss G. Newman, Miss Rich, Miss L. Rich.

**St. Peter's.**

ORGANIZED 1890.

*Secretary.*

Working Associates .....	2
Members .....	10
Candidates .....	14

## WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Miss James, Miss Orton.

**Christ Church Cathedral.**

*Secretary.*

MISS RIDLEY, 57 Main street West.

Honorary Associates.....	5
Working Associates .....	1
Members .....	20

**St. George's.**

ORGANIZED 1897.

*Secretary.*

MISS NORA AMBROSE, 121 Hughson street South.

Working Associates .....	4
Members .....	26

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Kemp, Miss E. Gillies, Miss N. Lambe.

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DIOCESE OF COLUMBIA.

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VICTORIA.

*President.*

MISS PERRIN.

**\*St. James' Branch.**

ORGANIZED 1896.

*Secretary.*

MRS. SWEET, St. James' Rectory, Victoria.

Working Associates .....	3
Members .....	15

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Kurtz, Mrs. H. Ross.

## DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.

*Secretary.*

MRS. DOBIE, Indian Head, N.W.T.

No returns.

## DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

VANCOUVER.

BRANCH ORGANIZED 1897.

*Secretary.*

MRS. BRADBURY, 1122 Robson street, Vancouver.

Honorary Associates .....	1
Working Associates.....	12
Members .....	25

**St. Paul's.**

Mrs. Knowler, Miss Bourne, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Underhill, Miss Andrew, Mrs. Stott, Mrs. Skinner.

**St. James'.**

Mrs. Orr, Mrs. Stitt, Mrs. Street, Mrs. Town, Mrs. Bradbury.

## TOTAL NUMBERS G. F. S. IN CANADA.

Parochial Branches .....	22
Honorary Associates.....	60
Working Associates .....	114
Members .....	438
Candidates .....	138
Friendly Helpers .....	11

# THE GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending June 30th, 1899.

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.
Balance in hand .....	Printing .....
Magazines, Christmas Cards, etc .....	Magazines, Christmas Cards, etc. ....
Cards and Guides .....	Postage .....
Percentages on Branch Funds .....	Stationery .....
Various .....	Sundries .....
\$14 87	\$52 75
24 12	10 88
8 13	8 63
41 82	0 75
12 30	11 07
	\$84 08
	17 16
	\$101 24
	Balance.....
	\$101 24

M. A. BOULTON,

*Secretary-Treasurer.*