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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.

ASSOCIATE'S 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.

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PRESIDENT OF CENTRAL COUNCIL :

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

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

ISSUED BY THE TORONTO DIOCESAN COUNCIL, ACTING
FOR THE PRESENT AS CENTRAL.

The Girls' Friendly Society in Canada has now completed its fourteenth year, having been established in November, 1882, under the distinguished patronage of H. R. H. the Princess Louise, then resident in this country.

The work varies little from year to year, but the reports from the different Branches are encouraging and show an increased interest in the work of the Society.

The Montreal Diocesan Secretary writes : "The Members seem to realize more each year what true friends they have in the Officers and Associates, who are always ready to give advice when needed, loving words of sympathy when discouraged, and to pay kind visits during lonely days in Hospitals or Convalescent Homes."

The total Membership including the Associates or Officers of the Society is about 800, scattered through ten Dioceses of the Church of England in Canada, and enrolled in twenty-five Parochial Branches. Some forty Members from other countries have been commended to the Society here during the year, and in all cases have been communicated with either personally or by letter and thus prevented from feeling entirely strange and alone in their new surroundings.

Three new Branches have been formed during the year, one in Victoria (with the prospect of another), one in the city of Vancouver, one in Hamilton, and in Montreal a former Branch has been re-organized. All the Branches have an annual Church Service and a festival, and all are engaged in some Missionary or Parish work, for, while the social side of the Society is not overlooked, its first object is to raise the tone and aspirations of its Members.

Holiday House at Hamilton again last summer proved a great pleasure and benefit to the seventy-five visitors received there. Their average stay was ten days, but some remained six weeks, and others only a day or two. Last year was the most successful financially, as the running expenses of the House were fully met, leaving a small surplus for needed repairs, and the debt has been wiped out. The House can now accommodate twenty-four guests and the lower rooms being more comfortably furnished rented well, and thus helped considerably to balance the accounts.

An Exhibition of Home Industries was held in May by the five Hamilton Branches, prizes being offered for various kinds of needlework and cookery. It proved very attractive to the Branches besides bringing the Society to the notice and interest of many to whom it was before unknown.

The Toronto Branch was sent on a Missionary tour to Missions in the Queen's Reserve in the

The Branches have been addressed by the Emperor of Japan, when he was for many years the Society in England.

Last autumn the Canadian Branches received the Annual Report of the United States Branches, and the Central Branches. The Society has worked with the United States Branches which last year read excellent reports. There are of course many in the United States.

We feel that a change of interest has been published in our things from the English Branches. We draw the work of the English Branches closely together, and the Colonies of this Country.

The Toronto Branches have joined with the Girls' Auxiliary to Missions in helping to pay the salary of the nurse in the Queen Victoria Hospital on the Blackfoot Indian Reserve in the North-West.

The Branches in Victoria had the privilege of being addressed by Mrs. Awdry, wife of the Bishop of Osaka, Japan, when on her way to England in May. Mrs. Awdry was for many years on the Central Council of the Parent Society in England and is an earnest and forcible speaker.

Last autumn the General President and the Secretary of the Canadian Society had the pleasure of being present at the Annual Meeting of the Girls' Friendly Society in the United States, held at Detroit, where they were most kindly received, and Mrs. Wood was made an Honorary Member of the Central Council and spoke at some of the meetings. The Society is growing rapidly across the border and is worked with admirable system and energy. The meeting, which lasted three days, was most interesting, the papers read excellent, and the discussions spirited and instructive. There are over 1,500 Members and Associates of the Society in the United States.

We feel that much benefit must result from the interchange of ideas between the Branches of the Society established in different countries, therefore we look for great things from the Colonial Committee appointed last year by the English Central Council, believing that it will tend to draw the various Girls' Friendly Societies at work among English speaking people in all parts of the world more closely together. Representatives chosen by the Society in the Colonies and the United States are *ex officio* Members of this Committee, and are thus brought into direct commu-

nication with the Parent Society. A grant of sample copies of the various English publications was sent to us through this Committee, and through it also came the proposal that the G. F. S. in Canada should join in an offering to be made by the Society throughout the world to Her Majesty the Queen, who is the Patron of the whole Society and has taken an active personal interest in it since its foundation in England in 1875. Only very small contributions were asked for in this country so as not to interfere with any local Jubilee schemes, and it was felt that our object in joining in the scheme was not at all to make an offering financially worthy of the great occasion, but in order that the Canadian Branch of the Society might be represented.

The Society is at work in all four continents and in Australia and New Zealand, and has, we believe, the distinction of having the second largest membership of any society of women.

At the Annual Meeting of the Society in England, which takes place this month, it is hoped that Miss Perrin, the President of the Branches in the Diocese of Columbia, will represent the Canadian Society.

We have received with regret the resignation of Miss Biddulph, who for the past three years has kindly represented Canada on the English Central Council, sending reports of its meetings, which have been read with interest by our Branches, thus keeping us in touch with the Parent Society. No fresh appointment has yet been made. Six dozen of the Society's badges have been asked for during the year.

Copies of the English Magazines are distributed monthly as usual.

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At the Annual Meeting of the National Council of Women, held in Halifax in June, the G. F. S. was represented by Mrs. Walker, President of the St. John Branch, and by Miss Burmester, a former Associate, and a short report of the Society's work was read by Mrs. Walker.

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 Associate's 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.

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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.

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.

* 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.

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 like. The Secretary enter in her list punctual in sending Associates' subscriptions or Diocesan Secretary

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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 - - - - -	" "
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.

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

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

FREDERICTON.—The work of this Branch is divided into four classes, each meeting weekly—two at the Secretary's house, one at Marysville under Mrs. Cowper's charge, while at Victoria Mills, two miles below Fredericton, Mrs. Merritt conducts a Candidates' Class. The children composing it have made and sold a patchwork quilt and intend to devote the price of it to some good object.

A Christmas Tree was given to this class and two tea parties were held in the Secretary's room where the Candidates also meet for singing which is much enjoyed.

Mrs. Cowper's class has worked diligently during the year and propose giving the considerable sum of money they have realized to the new church in Marysville.

The two city classes which have also been hard at work have agreed to present the result of their earnings as a Jubilee offering to the Victoria Hospital, Fredericton, believing that they can in this way best respond to the expressed wish of our beloved Queen. Several of the members continue to avail themselves of the privilege of attending the Bible Class held by the Sub-Dean.

MARY N. JACOB,

Diocesan and Branch Secretary.

ST. JOHN.—This Branch has held regular weekly meetings and a Bible Class once a fortnight as usual. There are thirty-five Members and eleven Working Associates on the roll.

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The girls spent their evenings during the winter in making flannel shirts, two prizes being offered by Mrs. Brigstocke for the best made, the first was won by Annie Edmunds, and the other by Edith Bannister.

The girls are at present making clothing for the children's ward in the General Hospital.

The Annual Festival Service was held in Trinity Church on the Feast of the Epiphany at 7.30 p.m. Suitable psalms and hymns were sung and an address given by Archdeacon Brigstocke. The annual reception took place afterwards and there was a large gathering of the members and their friends.

F. A. SNIDER,

Secretary-Treasurer.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

TORONTO.—The four Toronto Parochial Branches send favourable reports but the total membership has not increased. Four Council Meetings have been held since the Annual Meeting, which last year took place in October in the hope of having a larger gathering of Associates. After a short business meeting at which the officers were elected, about thirty Associates and friends of the Society assembled in Holy Trinity schoolhouse and were addressed by the President and by the Revs. J. Pearson and R. Ashcroft. The Branches have had two united gatherings during the year, one in the Church of the Redeemer schoolhouse in January, when they, and the various Toronto Branches of the Girls' Auxiliary to Missions, were addressed by the President of the W. A., and by a lady missionary, on behalf of the Hospital on the Blackfoot Reserve, with the object of asking their help to pay a nurse's salary. The other meeting was a Church Service at St. Simon's held on June 16th at 8 p.m., on which occasion a very earnest and practical address was given by the Rev. Provost Welch. Seventeen Members from other places were commended to the Toronto Branch, ten being resident here. Three of the Branches had each a social gathering before separating for the summer months, two taking the form of a picnic and the third of a dramatic entertainment.

Prizes were offered by the Secretary to any Members not missing a meeting for the seven months during which they are held. All were faithful but only two earned the reward (one coming all the way from Parkdale each week). The prizes, which consisted of a silver brooch in a design of forget-me-nots, with initials and date, and a hook to hold the Society's badge, were presented at the closing meeting with a few warm encouraging words from the Rector's wife.

LOUISA EVANS,

Secretary.

ST. SIMON'S.—This Branch devoted its work as usual to the Seaton Village Mission and contributed ninety articles of warm clothing and six dozen dolls, four dozen of which were dressed by the Branch and the remainder by the Sisters of St. John the Divine in whose charge the Mission is. These gifts were distributed at a festival held on the Holy Innocents' Day.

The President of this Branch while in England was kindly welcomed and entertained by members of the English Central Council. The closing meeting of the Branch was held in May and took the form of a very successful dramatic entertainment.

LOUISA DOBLE,

Secretary.

ST. GEORGE'S BRANCH.—This Branch has met regularly every month since the last Report, during the winter at the houses of two of the married Members, and in the summer the home of the Associate. The usual amount of needlework has been accomplished, and parcels sent to the Kilburn Sisters' Orphanage, to the Christmas Sale for St. Mary Magdalene's, and \$5 to the Sisterhood of St. John the Divine, being the proceeds of the remaining work. Nearly all the Members were present at the service held in St. Simon's Church in June and each wore a bunch of white marguerites. Six of the Members have had a most enjoyable visit at Holiday House, Hamilton, and speak in very enthusiastic terms of the management of the Home and of the kindness shown them. Short devotional services were held morning and evening, and the days passed only too

quickly with boating, bathing, and pleasant expeditions. It is a pity more Toronto Members do not take advantage of this charming G. F. S. Home with its very moderate charges.

Several Members of this Branch took mission boxes for the Black-foot Hospital.

M. E. FOSTER,
Associate.

DIOCESE OF MONTREAL.

On looking back over the work of the past year, the feeling is, that we have made some advance and that our labours have been crowned with success, not so much in the increase of numbers, as in a deeper interest in the work of the Society and more individual work amongst the Members, who seem to realize more and more each year what true friends they have in the Officers and Associates, always ready to give advice when needed, loving words of sympathy when discouraged, and to pay kind visits during lonely days in Hospitals or Convalescent Homes.

The Members commended to us during the past year were as follows :

From England	15
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We are glad to be able to report the re-organization of the Branch of St. John the Evangelist, and we trust that under the able management of Mrs. Torrance and her fellow-workers, that this Branch will soon return to its former state of prosperity.

The Reports of the other Branches speak for themselves. We much regret that St. George's is about to lose its most efficient Secretary, Miss S. Williams, who is leaving for England for a prolonged residence there. Her faithful work for the past three years will not soon be forgotten. Her place as Secretary will be filled by Miss Brock, who has also proved herself a staunch friend of the G. F. S., and one who has the welfare of the Members at heart.

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The Annual Service was held by the kind permission of the Dean, in St. George's Church on a Wednesday evening. This time was chosen as being more convenient to the Members generally and not interfering with regular Sunday Services or Sunday Schools. Special Psalms and Lessons were chosen by the Dean and the sermon was preached by the Rev. C. J. James from the text "Thou shalt guide me with Thy counsel."

The absence of the Rev. Canon Dixon from the service through illness was much regretted and he was also unable to accompany his large and flourishing Branch of St. Jude's, to the Festival which was held in the Synod Hall on 26th of January. The Bishop, who always takes a warm interest in the work of the G. F. S., presided, and after prayer by the Rev. J. F. Renaud, gave a short address. Dr. Graham Aspland, of the Deep Sea Mission, was present and spoke to the Members about his work on the coast of Labrador, stirring up their hearts by his pathetic stories of the needs and poverty of the dwellers on that stern coast. As St. George's Branch has been working for this Mission for the last two years its Members were specially interested. Music, songs and a recitation filled up the programme and ice-cream and cake gave the Members an opportunity for friendly intercourse.

The G. F. S. room and the "Andrews Home" continues to be used by our Members, who find it a comfortable resting-place, and our warmest thanks are to due Mrs. McMillan and Miss Grant, of the "Moore Convalescent Home," for the kindness they have shown and the interest they have taken in the G. F. S. Members, who, at different times, have been in that Home whilst recruiting after illness. To many a one who has no home in this city, this place has indeed proved a haven of rest.

Many girls who come from England and elsewhere, are not adapted to stand the severity of a Canadian winter. Three of our Members have returned from this cause, and we would venture to suggest to those who have the oversight at home, that the greatest care should be taken to select only those *physically* and *mentally* strong. Any mental deficiency or weakness so often leads to weakness of character and inability to distinguish right from wrong and thus they become an easy prey to the tempter. Now that the G. F. S.

Colonial Committee has been formed we feel that these matters can be more fully represented, and much pleasure has been felt in the receipt of Mrs. Townsend's letter, and her suggestion of a free interchange of ideas from both sides of the Atlantic will doubtless be a beneficial one.

In conclusion, let us remember

"Death closes all, but something ere the end,
Some work of noble note may yet be done,"

and as a writer has well said, "Somewhere in the long years to come, we shall find that not the smallest deed done for Christ or the feeblest word spoken, or the faintest touch given, has been in vain."

LAURA MUDGE,
Secretary, Montreal Diocesan Branch.

ST. GEORGE'S BRANCH.—The first meeting for the winter was held on October 6th, with an attendance of twenty-four members. Since then the meetings have been held each week.

The French Class has been continued this year. It is held every fortnight and on the same evening a reading and writing class has also been held of which several Members have availed themselves. The alternate Tuesday evening is reserved for sewing and knitting, while Miss L. Mudge kindly read aloud. Several Members have brought in garments made at home, which together with work done at the meetings and some cast-off clothing will be sent this month to the Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen in Labrador.

Twice during the winter the Members have been given tea, while on the same evening there have been songs and recitations from the girls themselves. A pound party was held at Christmas time and the groceries brought in were taken by three of the Members to the Country Home at Longue Pointe.

Six Members from Newfoundland have come to us this year, and eight English Members. We have now sixty Members on our books and eight Candidates. This Branch pays half the rent of a room in the "Andrews Home," which can be used at any time by Members out of work. Two Members, laid aside from work owing to illness,

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SARAH H. WILLIAMS,

Secretary.

ST. JUDE'S BRANCH.—The Branch resumed meetings on October 12th, 1896, with an attendance of twenty-eight Members at our first meeting.

Although we have no large increase of membership our Branch has kept up its numbers very steadily.

We have held twelve sewing meetings this winter. We sent two warm cloth quilts to a Mission in the North-West. At Easter we presented our Rector with a Stole, and the Assistant Minister, Rev. James Thompson, with a Surplice. Our work has been as usual for the poor of the Parish.

ANNA RAFTERY,

Secretary.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST.—The meetings of this Branch having only been re-commenced in January of this year, there is so far very little to report. The attendance has been small and uncertain, in consequence the service for receiving new Members has had to be put off. Some excellent Bible lessons have been given by one of the Clergy, also interesting readings by one of the Associates. Useful sewing and work has also been undertaken for two Guilds in the Parish.

CAROLINE M. TORRANCE,

Secretary.

GRACE CHURCH.—No report received.

DIOCESE OF OTTAWA.

OTTAWA.—The marriage of four Members and the removal of five others from the city have reduced the Members of this Branch, and only three girls were commended from England. There has been no lack of zeal and good work, however, among those who remain to us. The usual contribution was given to the Children's Hospital,

also some help towards a Christmas Tree in a poor Mission. The meetings have been held regularly and nine Members subscribe to Friendly Leaves. Since the formation of the new Diocese of Ottawa it has been decided to give the G. F. S. a Diocesan organization, which it is hoped will increase its strength and numbers.

L. C. WICKSTEED,

Branch Secretary.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

GANANOQUE.—This Branch is in a flourishing condition, both as regards numbers and the enthusiasm displayed by the Members in the work which the Society has in hand, namely, paying the Parish debt which has now been more than half wiped out. The money for this object is raised chiefly by monthly mite collections from each Church member, the collections being made by the Members of the G. F. S. Five dollars were given by the Society to the Mission Fund. Weekly meetings are held during the winter months at which the Rector conducts a Bible Class from the Institute Leaflet, which was found very helpful as many of the girls teach in the Sunday School. The closing meeting for the season was held on June 11th, when Mrs. Auston, wife of the Rector, gave a lawn party which was greatly enjoyed by all.

MINNIE STUNDEN,

Treasurer.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

SHERBROOKE.—The membership of this Branch has slightly increased and consists of six Associates, twenty-one Members and three Probationers. Thirteen well-attended meetings have been held since November 3rd. During the winter we worked for the Diocese of Algoma and have made a number of quilts and sheets for the Shingwauk Home. At the Annual Sale of St. Peter's Guild the ladies kindly allowed us to have a table for which contributions were sent by each Associate and Member. Ten dollars were realized and given to the "New Church Fund." At our Christmas Social we bade farewell to our Rector, the Rev. Canon Thorneloe, now Bishop of Algoma, and Mrs. Thorneloe, who has been President of this

Branch since it began, and has been untiring in her efforts to promote the welfare of its Members. A short address was read expressing our gratitude for their interest, kindness and sympathy, and our good wishes for their future, and a small token of affectionate remembrance was presented. The Rector replied in a few earnest and helpful words which will be long remembered by his hearers.

WINIFRED A. WIGGETT,

Secretary.

DIOCESE OF HURON.

LONDON, HELLMUTH COLLEGE BRANCH.—The fees of this Branch have been received but no report of work done. A copy of Friendly Leaves is taken and passed round among the Members who also each have the Kalendar, and contributed to the Jubilee offering to the Queen.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

There is little fresh to report this year. One new Branch has been organized and has begun with a large membership. The Annual Service was held in St. John's Church on May 17th, and the Bishop kindly consented to preach.

The debt on Holiday House has been paid and a balance is in hand for necessary improvements. Miss McKelcan has very kindly consented to take charge of the House this summer, thus giving Miss Swanzy a well-earned holiday. The Branches have all worked hard and faithfully for various causes through the winter months, and though progress and increase of membership has been slow it has been steady and sure.

The Exhibition of Home Industries held in May was successful though there were fewer competitors than were looked for and it is thought that a second attempt would be better taken up.

ISABEL LABATT,

Diocesan Secretary.

CATHEDRAL BRANCH.—Weekly meetings have been held and a monthly Bible Class by Mr. Bland, and we have had three admission services. Until Christmas we worked to provide a treat for

fourteen poor little girls who were all really in need of the warm garments provided and were made very happy. The girls also made a warm quilt for a poor family. For the past two months the meetings have been well attended. We have worked for the Exhibition of Home Industries. At our closing amusement evening on May 4th, the Branch entertained the married Members and the St. Andrew's Brotherhood. The Rector and Mrs. Bland came and helped to make the evening a very happy one.

We have a membership of twenty-two, and several Probationers waiting for admission.

We regret that there have been no meetings of the Candidates' Class to report, but we hope that they will be resumed next winter. Some of the older ones have been admitted as Members.

LOUISA M. DE R. RIDLEY.

ST. LUKE'S BRANCH.—Since sending the last annual report we have lost our energetic Secretary, Miss Hamilton, who has gone to Ottawa. We have had an average attendance of twenty at the weekly meetings. One of the old Members has married, seven new ones have joined and six Probationers will soon be admitted. During the last year the Members have collected one hundred dollars and given it towards the Church debt. To collect this sum they had a donation of twenty-five dollars, and the rest was either collected or paid for work ordered and made at the meetings. In February some friends gave a concert for which the girls sold a large number of tickets and assisted further by acting a shadow pantomime and having a sale of work and candies. This Branch now consists of twenty-four Members, six Probationers and five married Members, who attend a meeting when they can.

ST. PETER'S BRANCH.—It has been well said "happy is the country that has no history," and our winter's work in this Branch has not been eventful, yet I hope some progress has been made in the three objects for which we exist, viz., mutual help, integrity of life, and loyalty to our church and the G. F. S. Our numbers remain the same. Twenty-six meetings have been held with an average attendance of eleven. We have had a series of lessons on

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Church History and the Thirty-nine Articles, and have tried to answer the Scripture questions in the G. F. S. Magazine. The head of the School of Domestic Science has kindly given us some valuable cooking lessons, and our President has promised to read us a paper. Hands as well as brains have been busy. Before Christmas we helped several poor women who were ill in our Parish by making clothes for their children. Since then, at our Rector's request, we have made vestments for the choir of a neighbouring church. Now all are busy for the Exhibition of Home Industries to be held under the auspices of the G. F. S., which we hope may by its success warrant its becoming an annual event.

K. G. SWANZY.

ST. JOHN'S—This Branch now numbers twenty-nine Members, an increase of eleven over last year, and eight Probationers. A weekly Bible Class has been held and five of our girls have been confirmed. The Branch provided a Christmas Tree for twenty very poor children, and since then have been working for a Sale for the Church, which, combined with our entertainment, is to be held on May 20th.

ST. GEORGE'S BRANCH.—Feeling the need of a Society in which our girls might band themselves together for mutual help and sympathy, we decided to form a Branch of the G. F. S. We called a meeting for November 27th, when fifteen girls came, and at Miss Swanzy's suggestion we decided to keep them as Probationers for some months. On March 3rd we had an admission service and we now number over thirty Members. The girls have been regular and worked hard and already we have had a Concert and Sale at which \$25 was realized.

An interesting feature of our work has been a monthly lecture on Missions, illustrated by magic lantern views, which our Rector, the Rev. F. E. Howitt, has kindly given us. All this having proved a benefit and pleasure we are looking forward to resuming our meetings after the summer vacation.

G. AMBROSE.

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF HOLIDAY HOUSE, JUNE TO SEPTEMBER, 1896.

Our fourth summer at Holiday House was most enjoyable, and financially more successful than the others, for we maintained the manager and paid two servants, as well as replacing some broken cots and providing a new platform for the boathouse without incurring any debt. The House is now sufficiently furnished to take in twenty-four guests and was nearly full most of the summer.

We received seventy-five visitors and never did the girls enjoy themselves more. As usual we had girls from all departments of wage earners and every creed was represented.

Some could only stay two nights, while others had six weeks' holiday, and others again went daily to their work. Many said they had never felt it so homelike since they had left their native shores of far distant Sweden, Scotland or Ireland.

The average stay was ten days.

Ten came from Toronto, two from Brantford, two from Dundas, and the rest from Hamilton. Twenty-five were Members of the G. F. S. Our lower rooms having been more comfortably furnished rented well and thus helped materially to balance accounts. Many donations of furniture, groceries, plants and bedding were received and are always most valuable.

The total receipts were \$231.22. Expenditure \$231.10—leaving a balance of 12c.

DIOCESE OF COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, ST BARNABAS' BRANCH.—We are pleased to be able to report that the interest in the work still continues in our Branch.

After the summer holidays we commenced our work on October 7th with our Annual Church Service, when His Lordship Bishop Perrin, gave us a beautiful address from the text, "Bear ye one another's burden," and a motto for the year, "Great From Small," which we have tried to carry out to the best of our ability.

Weekly meetings have been held during the winter and have been very well attended, and the little work we did grew, and we held a Sale of Work and Concert on Thanksgiving Day; we realized quite a large sum of money, and with it we bought a new carpet for the Sanctuary and matting for the body of the Church, and presented it as a Christmas offering.

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The programme for the winter's work was arranged very carefully by our President and the evenings were spent in various ways. Bible Class once a month held by our Rector, we chose for our lessons The Women of the Bible. Dr. Hanington gave a series of lectures on Home Nursing, which were appreciated by us, and very well attended.

Eight evenings were taken up by ladies giving little talks on various subjects, they were: Life in India, by our Associate, Mrs. Bayne, who lived in India for some time; Mrs. Day on Reading—When, What and How to Read; Miss Dunlop on Kindergarten Work; Mrs. Scaife, Life and Custom in Constantinople. We had besides some concerts and social evenings.

Mrs. Awdry from Japan, arrived here on the 11th of April, and gave us a most beautiful little talk, one that did us all good and made us more determined to do all in our power to carry out our beautiful motto "Bear ye one another's burdens" and try to maintain purity and innocence.

We have now a Magazine Club which is a great benefit to all as we have the choice of twenty magazines monthly for ten cents per month each Member.

We have started a missionary association for prayer, to pray every Sunday morning for God's blessing upon the missionary work of the Church in general, and in particular for such objects as shall be suggested. We have seventy-one Members and have had several very interesting meetings, one lecture by His Lordship Bishop Awdry of Osaka, Japan.

I regret very much to report the death of our Associate, Mrs. Cauldwell, who died very suddenly after a few days' illness. She was an Associate for four years and a teacher in the Public School in Victoria for twenty-five years.

One of our Members married and was presented with a marriage card and afterwards a reception was held to receive her as one of our Branch Helpers, and a few encouraging words were addressed to her by the Bishop and our Rector, after which refreshments were served.

We have a Candidates' Class of fourteen, Mrs. Goodwin, our newly married Member, takes charge of it. The little ones are being instructed in needlework and are making garments for the children in the Orphanage. A story is read to them while they sew.

We have each contributed a small sum towards the album which is to be presented to Her Majesty Queen Victoria on her Diamond Jubilee.

Our girls will give a concert on the 13th of May, the proceeds to be given to St. Barnabas' Church Fund.

During Lent we made new garments for the poor of the city.

We close our meetings for the summer on the 19th of May so the Associates are giving a picnic to all the Members at Oak Bay. Tea will be provided at Mrs. Bayne's residence, our Associate, who lives at Oak Bay.

I am glad to say our Branch is increasing, we have now thirty-five Members and seven Associates.

Miss Perrin, our President, gave a farewell party at her residence, Bishopsclouse, before leaving for England, we had a most enjoyable time, about forty being present.

HELEN BRADBURY,
Secretary.

ST. JAMES' BRANCH, VICTORIA, B.C.—A Parish Branch of the G. F. S. was started here in October, 1896. Fourteen Members joined.

In December the Bishop visited us with our Diocesan President, Miss Perrin, and gave a very interesting address upon the work of the Society.

In January the Bishop held a service of admission in our Church and received eight Members and two Associates. The Members who were admitted in November had their Guides and Cards presented at the same time.

A concert was prepared and carried out by our Members only, and was most successful and pleasant. As we have a large debt on the Parish Hall we devoted the proceeds towards defraying it.

The meetings seem to be enjoyed by the girls. We sew a good deal—at present nothing has been done with our work but we hope shortly to have a small Sale. One of the Associates reads while the sewing goes on: We also have had reading and essays by some of the Members. One feature of our work is the Rector's Monthly Bible Class, besides which he comes in every evening for a short time to encourage us.

One most interesting episode during the winter was an address to

the two Branches in Victoria by Mrs. Awdry from Japan. It was upon the aims of our Society and was listened to most attentively by a large number.

Miss Perrin kindly visits and talks to us occasionally.

Mrs. Day also gave an evening's talk upon systematic reading.

On April the 12th the Bishop held another service of admission. There were eight new Members and one Associate who joined upon this occasion.

We now number twenty-eight Members and three Associates, Mrs. Ross and Mrs. Kurtz being most faithful and efficient helpers.

EVA SWEET,

Secretary-Treasurer.

DIOCESE OF QU'APPELLE.

The work in this Diocese has been rather at a standstill since the return of Mrs. Burn to England. Very few girls have been sent to the Brassey Home at Indian Head, opened in the summer of 1895.

In Regina, though there is not a regular Branch, a lady, Mrs. Gordon, invites the girls to her house once a month, and it is hoped that on the return of the Bishop and Mrs. Grisdale from England, some further steps may be taken.

DIOCESE OF NEW WESTMINSTER.

VANCOUVER.—A fresh attempt has been made to organize a Branch in this Diocese by an English Associate. It has begun in a small but encouraging way and we hope will grow and prosper. The first step was to assemble a few English Members resident in Vancouver, and some informal meetings have been held. A room and piano have been offered for meetings in the autumn, when it is hoped to hold a small Sale of Work.

THE JUBILEE OFFERING.

The following Canadian Branches contributed to the Jubilee Offering to Her Majesty the Queen, from the G. F. S. throughout the world :—St. John, Sherbrooke, Montreal, Ottawa, Gananoque, Toronto, Hamilton and London. Fourteen dollars was sent, and we believe the Branches in Victoria reported separately.

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

President.

MRS. WOOD, 100 Pembroke street, Toronto.

Secretary-Treasurer.

MISS BOULTON, 15 Grange road, Toronto.

Representative on English Central Council.

DIOCESE OF FREDERICTON.

DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

Patron.

THE BISHOP OF FREDERICTON.

President.

MRS. MEDLEY.

Secretary-Treasurer.

MISS JACOB, FREDERICTON.

Council.

MRS. KINGDON.

MRS. COWPER.

MRS. DEVEBER.

MISS PETERS

and all Branch Presidents and Secretaries in the Diocese.

FREDERICTON BRANCH.

ORGANIZED 1882.

President.

MRS. MEDLEY, Bishopsote.

Secretary.

MISS JACOB, King street.

Working Associates	7
Honorary Associates ...	1
Members and Candidates	64

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Cowper, Mrs. Kingdon, Mrs. McCarthy, Mrs. Medley, Mrs. Merritt, Miss Jacob.

ST. JOHN.

ORGANIZED 1886.

Secretary-Treasurer.

MISS F. SNIDER, 67 Sewell street.

Honorary Associates	1
Working Associates	11
Members	35

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

President.

MRS. WALKER.

Mrs. Brigstocke, Mrs. J. Hay, Mrs. J. R. Smith, Miss Murray, Miss Patton, Miss Peacock, Miss Peters, Miss Sadlier, Miss Symonds, Miss Wright.

DIOCESE OF TORONTO.

DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

Patrons.

THE BISHOP OF TORONTO.

MRS. SWEATMAN.

The Toronto Diocesan Council, acting for the present as Central, consists of President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, Elected Members, and the Branch Secretaries of the Diocese.

Officers for 1897-98.

President.

MRS. WOOD.

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. WELCH.

Ex Officio Members.

All Branch Secretaries in the Diocese.

TORONTO PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.

Working Associates	36
Honorary Associates	13
Members	90

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Broughall, Mrs. Cayley, Mrs. Foster, Mrs. Kendrick, Mrs. Wood, Miss Barker, Miss Boulton, Miss Howard, Miss Carington Smith.

HOLY TRINITY PARISH—ORGANIZED 1882.

Secretary.

MRS. SULLIVAN, 6 Trinity square.

Miss G. Thompson.

ST. SIMON'S PARISH—ORGANIZED 1892.

Secretary.

MISS DOBLE, 620 Ontario street.

Misses Bannister.	Misses Dixon.	Misses Murphy.
Blyth.	Fabian.	Patriarch.
Carke.	Giles.	Peterson.
Croft.	Hutchison.	Robinson.
Cruttenden.	Johnston.	Trounce.

CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER—ORGANIZED 1892.

Secretary.

MISS EVANS, 22 Sultan street.

Mrs. P. M. Clark.	Miss Millman.	Miss Jones.
Miss Duff.	Mrs. Plaskett.	Miss McMullen.
Miss Gamble.	Miss Foster.	

ST. GEORGE'S BRANCH.—ORGANIZED——.

Secretary.

MRS. FOSTER, Erlescourt, Davenport.

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

Ex Officio Members.

All Branch Secretaries of the Diocese,

St. George's Church.*Secretary.*

MISS BROCK, 16C Mansfield street.

Honorary Associates.....	16
Working Associates.....	10
Members.....	60
Friendly Helpers.....	4
Candidates.....	8

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Miss Durnford, Miss Van Buskirk, Miss L. Mudge, Miss B. Macdonell, Miss S. Williams, Miss Radford, Mrs. W. Radford, Miss M. G. Durnford, Miss Williams.

St. Jude's Church.*Secretary.*

MISS A. RAFTERY, 50 Richmond square.

Honorary Associates.....	24
Working Associates.....	2
Members.....	43
Candidates.....	11

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Forgrave, Miss Raftery.

St. John the Evangelist.*Secretary.*

MRS. TORRANCE, 82 Hutchison street.

Honorary Associates.....	6
Working Associates.....	5
Members.....	5
Candidates.....	8

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Auchmuty, Miss A. Hague, Miss Gross, Miss Kerry, Miss Moss.

Grace Church.

Secretary.

SISTER EDITH, 747 Wellington street.

No returns.

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.

DIOCESE OF OTTAWA.

DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

Patrons.

THE BISHOP OF OTTAWA.

MRS. HAMILTON.

President.

MRS. TILTON.

Organizing Secretary.

MISS HAMILTON.

Treasurer.

MISS H. DAWSON.

Branch Secretary.

MISS L. C. WICKSTEED, 136 Bay street, Ottawa.

BRANCH ORGANIZED 1883.

Working Associates..... 11

Members..... 20

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

ST. GEORGE'S PARISH.

Mrs. Tilton, Miss Hicks, Miss Chapiet.

CHRIST CHURCH.

Miss Baker, Miss Dawson, Miss Everett, Miss L. C. Wickstead.

ST. JOHN'S.

Miss Thompson.

ST. ALBAN'S.

Mrs. Caddy, Miss Yielding.

DIOCESE OF ONTARIO.

GANANOQUE.

Secretary.

MISS M. LEGGE.

Working Associates.....	1
Members.....	17

WORKING ASSOCIATE.

Mrs. Auston.

DIOCESE OF QUEBEC.

SHERBROOKE.

Secretary.

MISS W. WIGGETT, 2 Beckett road.

Working Associates.....	6
Members.....	21

President.

MRS. DUMBELL.

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Moe, Miss Bennetts, Miss Bostwick, Miss Cowling.

DIOCESE OF NIAGARA.

DIOCESAN ORGANIZATION.

Patron.

BISHOP OF NIAGARA.

President.

MRS. M. WRIGHT.

Secretary.

MRS. R. H. LABATT, 156 Jackson street W., Hamilton.

HAMILTON PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.

St. Luke's.

ORGANIZED 1889.

Working Associates.....	3
Members.....	24

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

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

St. Peter's.

ORGANIZED 1890.

Secretary.

MISS K. G. SWANZY, 46 Wentworth street.

Working Associate.....	4
Members.....	20
Candidates.....	17

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Miss James, Miss Orton, Miss C. Stiff.

St. John's.

REORGANIZED 1894.

Honorary Associates.....	2
Working Associates.....	2
Members.....	29

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Daw, Mrs. F. Noyes.

Christ Church Cathedral.*Secretary.*

MISS RIDLEY, 57 Main street West.

Honorary Associates.....	5
Working Associates.....	3
Members.....	22

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Quin, Miss A. MacInnes.

St. George's.

ORGANIZED 1897.

Secretary.

MRS. G. AMBROSE, 121 Hughson street South.

Working Associates.....	3
Members.....	30

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Kemp, Miss E. Gillies.

DIOCESE OF HURON.**ST. ANNE'S BRANCH.**

ORGANIZED 1889.

Secretary.

MRS. ENGLISH, Hellmuth College, London.

Working Associates.....	1
Members.....	6

DIOCESE OF COLUMBIA.**VICTORIA.***President.*

MISS PERRIN.

St. Barnabas' Branch.

ORGANIZED 1892.

Secretary.

MRS. BRADBURY, 117 Chatham street.

Working Associates.....	7
Members.....	35

WORKING ASSOCIATES.

Mrs. Bayne, Mrs. Berkeley, Mrs. Stevenson, Mrs. Taylor, Miss Woods.

St. James' Branch.

ORGANIZED 1896.

Secretary.

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

Working Associates	3
Members.....	28

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.

MISS BOURNE, 1138 Robson street, Vancouver.

No returns.

Total Number of Members.....	580
Associates (Working).....	118
Associates (Honorary).....	68
Candidates.	100

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Receipts and Expenditure for the Year ending June 30th, 1897.

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
\$ 15 91	\$ 71 45
22 00	11 78
12 37	10 02
47 90	80
5 26	2 52
\$103 44	Balance
	\$96 57
	6 87
	\$103 44