

became more aware of some of the heirlooms in their homes.

Anderdon has taken over the restoration of an old hall, "a landmark," as a centennial project.

Desboro is having three maps made to show the early history of the community, as a centennial project.

Third Line in Grey had signs erected on "The Old Mill Road," a road laid by the pioneers.

Grand River reports its historical meeting one of its most interesting, with the topic, "From the Pioneer Log School to the Consolidated School." When a local church was about to be demolished this branch arranged for a final service to be held in it.

Campbellville's report says that Institute members supplied most of the information for the village's history book published at the time of its fiftieth anniversary as an incorporated village last year. At the Institute's historical meeting they had a display of old needlework.

River Valley helped to clean up an old cemetery and trace its history. Old grave stones were repaired and the name of the cemetery placed over the gate. **Sidney South** also reports a donation toward restoring an old cemetery as a centennial project.

Annan: "Our Institute arranged to have the plaque around the Tom Thomson plaque tidied up prior to the one hundredth anniversary of the United Church. (Tom Thomson is buried in the cemetery behind this church.) . . . The report calls at two of our meetings, 'An industry of an historic landmark located near your home in the past 100 years' and 'Name a citizen who has contributed much to the pioneering and growth of this community', resulted in factual material for the Tweedsmuir History Committee."

Balaclava: "Histories of 'Our Grandfathers' and 'A Notable Local Person' have been written for our history scrap book."

Romney has recorded the histories and taken pictures for their Tweedsmuir history of the eight public schools and two churches in the area that have been closed this year.

Corunna also reports helping to compile the histories of the local schools of the township, since centralization is closing most of them.

Warwick: "At each of our meetings one of the group reports on current events of the community and the nation. The special feature of our program on historical research was a display and discussion of antique glassware." Members have prepared histories of all the public schools in the township and hope to have these appear in a book.

Denbigh provided the history of their municipality for the country's history book.

Aughrim says: "The showing of the Tweedsmuir history at meetings has encouraged the members to gather authentic stories of their farms, churches and schools." This Institute was asked to co-operate with the County Trustees and Ratepayers' Association in compiling histories of the schools of the county and their curator compiled the histories of five schools. **Port Lambton** also helped with this project.

Fair Grove took a carload of elderly people to the Gananoque Historical Museum.

Amherst Island entered a float, "An Old Fashioned Parlor" in the centennial parade.

At **Queenston St. Davids** the Institute gathered information about old buildings and landmarks to help with their restoration to their original design in the project "the restoration of Niagara-on-the-lake."

To Gain New Members

To gain new members, **Wharncliffe** plans "to hold more community activities where residents can get to know the Women's Institute work and its members."

Walford intends to have evening meetings so the young mothers can attend. **Alford and Park Road** is having more night meetings because so many of its members are employed during the day.

Laird issued printed invitations and had a membership drive. **Desbarats** says: "We are going to try to improve the attendance of our present members."

Portlock Royal: "In an effort to learn why we are not attracting new members we are asking

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OUR OWN

By Margaret E. Sangster

If I had known in the morning
How wearily all through the day
The words unkind would trouble my mind
That I said when you went away,
I had been more careful, darling,
Nor given you needless pain;
But we vex our own with look and tone
We may never take back again.

For though in the quiet evening
You give me the kiss of peace,
It well might be that never for me
The pain of the heart should cease!
How many go forth in the morning
Who never come home at night!
And hearts are broken by harsh words spoken
That sorrow can never set right.

We have careful thought for the stranger,
And smiles for the sometime guest;
But oft for "our own" the bitter tone,
Though we love our own the best.
Ah! lips with the curve impatient,
Ah! brow with the shade of scorn,
'Twere a cruel fate, were the night too late
To undo the work of the morn!

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