

Newfoundland Women's Institute Members

Visit Ontario

It was a treat and an experience for members of the Glengarry County Women's Institutes when they had the privilege of being hostesses for twelve Women's Institute members from the south coast of Newfoundland branches Calvert and Ferryland.

The Ontario hostesses were Mrs. George Blair, Mrs. Peter Tjepkema, Mrs. John Craig, Mrs. Lloyd Cleland, Mrs. C. H. Rivington, and Mrs. Howard Kemp. Ladies who acted as drivers for the party were Mrs. John Craig, Mrs. E. W. Innes, and Mrs. H. L. Noblitt. Mrs. Noblitt, a member of the Ontario Provincial Board of Directors was responsible for planning the arrangements for entertaining the Newfoundland guests. She was assisted by Mrs. Donald McLachlan, a Director, and Mrs. Hugh McMillan, a past Director.

After arrival, the guests were driven to the home of Mrs. H. L. Noblitt for a welcome and tea served by the Gloucester Glen Women's Institute. Monday's program included a visit to the Parliament Buildings to attend a session of Parliament and to watch the Changing of the Guard. At noon, the party were guests at a luncheon given by Mrs. Jamieson, for the Federated Women's Institutes of Canada. In the afternoon, the main features were a visit to Kingsmere and supper at a Meach Lake cottage, courtesy of the Leitrim Women's Institute Branch.

On Tuesday, a visit was made to Upper Canada Village with lunch served by the Kars Branch and supper, courtesy the Dundas County Women's Institutes.

Ramsayville Branch served lunch for the party when they visited the Museum of Science and Technology on Wednesday, with shopping in the Ottawa stores for the afternoon program. Metcalf and area branch members had the opportunity to meet the visitors in the evening.

Thursday's program consisted of a tour of Ottawa city, lunch at the Experimental Farm, and an evening at the home of Mrs. G. Sharp, 526 Fielding Court, Ottawa. Supper was served by members of the Glen Ogilvie Women's Institutes.

Friday saw the end of this exciting (not only for the Newfoundland ladies but for the Ontario members too) holiday. The guests laden with gifts for their families were loud in their praises for the Ontario hostesses. In a thank you note to Mrs. Austin Zoeller, Ontario Provincial President, one of the guests wrote, "We

were treated as royalty and I'm sure we saw more of Ottawa than some residents have seen in years. We met so many members. It was wonderful!"

Our East and West Carlton hostesses were so good to us. 'Homes Away From Home.' Our drivers were so pleasant and took us many, many miles. We all became such good friends and enjoyed each others' company so much. It was a great experience, one we shall never forget, and the most important of all was the friendly kind way of these people. They took us into their hearts as well as their homes. We felt we were visiting old friends instead of new ones.

It has strengthened the bond of confederation and Women's Institutes to be able to travel and see people elsewhere who have the same ideals, problems and interests.

Our visit to Ottawa shall remain in our memory forever. It has enriched our lives greatly. We have gained a wealth of knowledge and a host of new friends.

Sincerely,

Josephine Condon
President, Calvert Women's Institute

The guests from Newfoundland were: Mrs. Catherine Sullivan, Mrs. Marie Sullivan, Mrs. Margaret Sullivan, Mrs. Catherine A. Sullivan, Mrs. Mary Furlong, Mrs. Josephine Walsh, Mrs. Marion Ledwell, Mrs. Harriet Condon, Mrs. Bride Condon, Mrs. Catherine Condon, Mrs. Ester Boland, Mrs. Josephine Condon.

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A HEALTHY PRAYER

(Prayer on a wall in Chester Cathedral)

Give me good digestion Lord
And something to digest.
Give me a healthy body, Lord
And sense to keep it at its best;
Give me a healthy mind, O Lord,
To keep the pure and good in sight,
Which seeing sin is not appalled,
But finds a way to set it right.
Give me a mind that is not bored,
That does not whimper, whine, or sigh;
Don't let me worry overmuch
About that fussy thing call, "I."
Give me a sense of humor Lord,
Give me the grace to see a joke,
To get some happiness from life
And pass it on to other folk.

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