



"Adelaide Hunter Hoodless" 1857 - 1910

Adelaide Hoodless was born in this farm house and lived here until she married John Hoodless, 1881. On February 19th, 1897, she organized, at Stoney Creek, the world's first Women's Institute. It was her belief that in this organization rural women could discuss their problems and work together to improve their standard of home making and citizenship. The movement spread rapidly throughout Ontario and later to other Provinces. Mrs. Hoodless, a natural leader and forceful speaker, introduced the teaching of domestic science into Ontario schools and obtained funds for building of Macdonald Institute at Guelph.



"The Homestead"

The "Homestead", as it is known to W. I. members everywhere. It has been restored in the period of a hundred years ago, when "Addie" Hunter lived there as a young girl. The modest farm House at St. George, Ontario.