

CHERRY GROVE W. I.

A most enjoyable and profitable meeting of the Cherry Grove W. I. was held at the home of Mesdames Ran. and Jack Bradey, when the Cherry Grove branch entertained the ladies of the Vandeleur branch, with a total attendance of thirty-eight. Mrs. Dickie, president of the Cherry Grove branch, was in charge of the business session. Names were exchanged for Christmas gifts, the price not to exceed twenty-five cents. Mrs. Merton Pendleton was appointed delegate to the Area convention to be held in the Royal York Hotel on Nov. 18, 19, 20. Mrs. Jack Bradey was named the alternate. A motion was made to the effect that the branch purchase fifty song sheets and music book entitled, "Canada Sings". The discussion re the bake sale was left over till the December meeting. Mrs. George Swanton kindly invited the branch to hold their next meeting at her home on Dec. 3rd. This brought the business to a close and Mrs. Dickie resigned in favour of Mrs. W. Ratchiffe, president of the Vandeleur branch, who took charge of the program which opened with community singing. "The Old Rugged Cross", with Mrs. Lundy Johnston as organist. An exceptionally fine paper, "The Stranger Within Our Gates", was given by Mrs. Dane McGee. This was followed by a duet, "Grandfather's Clock", by Mrs. H. Thompson and Miss Lillian Buchanan. Reading by Mrs. Geo. Shaw, entitled "The Farmer's Life" by Edgar Guest, while "The Beauty of Friendship" was the title of a paper by Mrs. W. G. Hutchinson and read by Mrs. F. Boland. This was followed by a chorus, "The

Grumblers", by several ladies. A contest sponsored by Mrs. V. Brodie and Mrs. Clarence Hutchinson was won by Mrs. S. Ward, and community singing, "Silver Threads among the Gold". Mrs. G. Swanton, a recent bride, was then asked to take the chair of honour while Mrs. A. Bowen read a well-worded address of congratulations and appreciation and Mrs. Jack Bradey presented her with a lovely pair of flannelette blankets. Jane replied in a few well chosen words thanking the ladies for their kindness. "Home on the Range" was then sung, followed by the National Anthem. The roll call was answered by each lady signing and giving aloud her full name, maiden name included, which caused a great deal of laughter. Lunch was served by the hostesses and their assistants.

EAST BERKELEY

(Intended for last week)

Mr. Jack Connell returned to his home in Owen Sound after spending a few weeks with his brother, Mr. Howard Connell, and family. Mrs. Gordon Steer, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. A. McMullen, of North Bay, spent last week with Mrs. Jas. Irvine and family at Markdale. Mrs. John Steer returned home after spending a couple of weeks with her sisters, Mrs. Wm. Boucher at Brampton and Mrs. C. Cross at Oakville. Mrs. Boucher and family remained for a few days' visit with friends here. Messrs. Jack and Harry Young spent Sunday at their home here. Mr. Richard Johnston and grandson spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. Wm. Johnston, and family.

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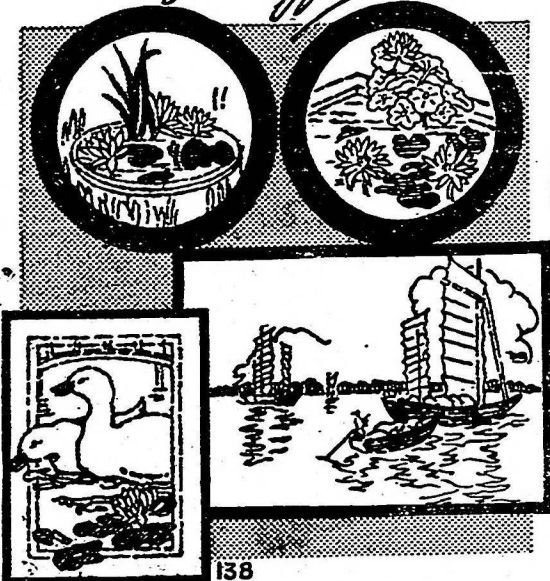
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THE BEAVER VALLEY IN AUTUMN

PART I

The Beaver Valley in Autumn seems A glimpse of Heaven and of joy to see; I can't surpass it even in my dreams, It is a foretaste of the things to be. Upon the brink, with baited breath, I stand. And gaze in rapture o'er the broad expanse, No master touch could make a scene so grand; It's marvellous beauty doth my soul entrance.

I gaze upon the hills, calm and serene, That tower high above the river bed, I marvel at the foliage dark and green, That early frosts have tinged with gold and red. The clumps of summach in their ruddy glow, The patches of alfalfa dark and green, The lighter green where clumps of poplars grow, The countless shades of maple in between. The glowing tints of yellow, green and gold, Arranged in such a wonderful design; The brilliant hues of scarlet flaming bold, A picture worthy of the hand Divine. Yon flaming bush, off there a little way, It seems to speak, and though there is no sound, Yet in my very heart it seems to say, "The place thou standest on is Holy ground".

PART II

It isn't hard in such a scene as this, To see the beauty, and the things of worth; But yet we think, we very often miss The loveliness of common things of earth. The little grey bird singing on a limb, The little babbling brooks that

never fail, The saucy blue jay with his feathers trim, The red squirrel, chattering on a cedar rail. The little thing, though very often scorned, May be a rare and very costly gem; By little deeds our lives are most adorned, 'Tis little jewels that make a diadem. Then watch for beauty as each day arrives, There's really little else beneath the sky, There's something lovely in the

darkest lives, If we but look with a discerning eye. The Great Creator, who adorned the rose, And decked the landscape in a rainbow hue, The least of his creation also knows, And better still, He also cares for you. For though the works of nature may be grand, And human kind be marred by sin and fraud, Yet like Him we were made at His command; A human soul's the noblest work of God.

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Mrs. Housewife



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