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## "SALADA" TEA BAGS

### SILVER-WOOD Family Heirlooms Shown at Meeting

Mrs W Norton was hostess for the Silver-Wood Women's Institute on Thursday, September 10, with the president, Mrs Corbett, in the chair. After singing "Tara" and repeating the Mary Stewart Collect, the roll call was answered in a most interesting manner. Each member brought a treasured family heirloom and gave the history of it; these recalled memories and brought forth much discussion of the olden days.

An invitation was read from the Georgetown W.L. to attend their October meeting. Displays for the forthcoming fall fairs were discussed.

Miss Moore then took charge of the meeting on "Historical Research" and called on Mrs. George Henderson, Jr. for the current events and a report on the recent A.C.W.V. Conference in Toronto.

Mrs. Corbett told of a delegate who visited her and Mrs. Batkin for a few days. Mrs. Russell gave a clever paper on the motto "Grow old along with me—the best is yet to be."

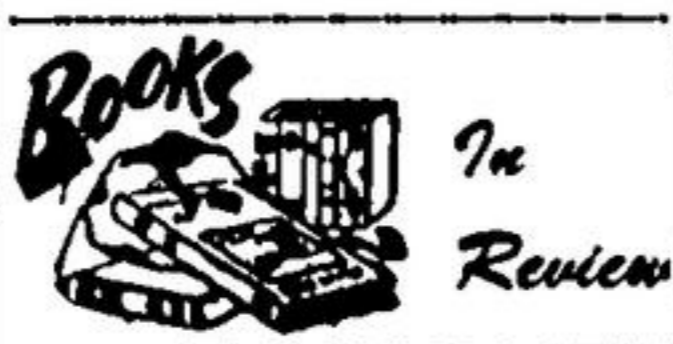
Miss Moore read an excellent article on aprons around the world and she had a small one which had belonged to a member of her family when a child; it was about 75 years old.

A pleasant tea hour followed, Mrs. Appleyard being hostess with Mrs. Norton and over the cups of tea the members looked over the dear old treasures displayed and recalled their uses of years ago.

The next meeting of the Silver-Wood W.L. will be at the home of Mrs. Batkin.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Russell-Miller on the arrival of their son, Randall Ernest.

Stone School  
Miss Marjory Shaw is teaching at the Stone School again this year and there are 28 pupils.



### POSSESSION

by Mazo de la Roche  
The other day a friend said that he had heard Mazo de la Roche's books had a very American flavor. I was surprised; I had always thought them very English. Well, we at least agreed they did not seem naturally Canadian.

If you have read *Lilies in the Dooryard*, which is also in the Acton Library, you will notice the complete difference between this book and that; both, though, have as their locale farms near Georgian Bay.

Even the names Miss de la Roche has chosen for her nearby towns—Mistwell and Brancepath—sound English to me. The hired help are British and Scotch; certainly the neighbors, ruddy Mr. Jerrold and his gentle, side-saddle riding daughter Grace seem very English.

Derek Vale was left a low, broad stone house, surrounded by trees, overlooking the lake, and called Grimstone. He enjoyed running the farm at first until his way of life was changed when an Indian family, with one lovely Indian daughter, came to help pick berries.

Grace Jerrold and the young Indian Fawnie both occupy Derek Vale's mind, then—and the farm, less and less.

As I have mentioned before, Mazo de la Roche lived for a while in Acton. I don't recognize anything familiar in the book, but perhaps you will.

### THE "HAPPY HABIT"

Cheerfulness doesn't just happen. It's man-made—sunshine—and there won't be enough to go around unless we all contribute our share.

This man-made sunshine is made up of lots of tiny rays—a happy smile, a kind word, a friendly act. What the sun is to nature, cheerful people are to home, work and play. We love the sparkle of their eyes and the ring of their voices. We are refreshed by their presence.

The place to be happy is here, the time now. The way to be happy is to bring joy to others.

If you make one person happy each day, think of the many persons you can make happy for a little while at least, over a period of years. Most of life's troubles are man-made, so let us have more sunshine. Be sure to create your share by getting into the "happy habit."

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### Magic Paint Can Transform Houses

There's magic in a can of paint. Color engineers, who have been stepping up the efficiency of industry by tinkering with psychology through the use of colors, contend that you can remodel an out-of-date house without touching a hammer or saw. You can do it, they say, with a paint brush.

This sounds fantastic, but there's a lot to it. Color can make a tall house look lower, or a squat house look taller. It can virtually wipe out architectural mistakes. It can change the shape of chimneys, windows, dormers, doors.

It can change the size and temperature of rooms, do quite a bit in deadening sound, and according to some enthusiasts help to cure your ills and even prevent suicides.

A classic example in suicide-prevention is Blackfriars bridge in London. Notorious for years for its desperate jumpers, the bridge lost its grisly lure when it was repainted from black to light green.

But black can be very useful around a house. Blue-black, charcoal black or ebony black can bring an awkward roof into line, minimize ungainly chimneys and effectively obliterate badly proportioned dormers.

However, a roof that looms too large and seems to overwhelm a small house can be made to recede if given a light color. And a light roof is cooler in summer than a dark roof—it reflects the sun's heat waves.

Vertical trim that detracts from the horizontal lines of a small house or over-ornate trim from the Victorian era, can be subdued by painting it the same color as the house.

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### African Education Explained to Group

The fall work of the Senior Auxiliary W.M.S. of Knox Church began on Thursday, September 10, when a meeting was held at the home of Mrs. A. G. Blow, with the president presiding.

After the devotional exercises, which were taken by Mrs. R. M. McDonald and Mrs. Blow, the month's study, "Education Old and New in Africa" was interestingly explained by Mrs. R. R. Parker. Reports were read and arrangements made for the Thankoffering in October.

Some members who had attended W.M.S. meetings while on vacation, told of these and pointed out methods of procedure that lead to finer meetings.

A few items of business were taken before the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

All remained for a social half hour.

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