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# Maine Federation of Women's Clubs



**YEAR BOOK 1914-15** 



MRS. FREDERICK PARKER ABBOTT PRESIDENT

# The Maine Federation of Women's Clubs

1914-1915

FIRST STATE FEDERATION ORGANIZED SEPTEMBER 4, 1892, ADMITTED TO GENERAL FEDERA-TION, 1894.

INCORPORATED, 1912.

Federation Pin—An Oxidized Silver Stickpin in the form of a pine tree.

Federation Colors—Brown and Green, of the shades found in the foliage of the pine tree and its cone.

JOURNAL PRINT, BIDDEFORD, ME.

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# **Charter Clubs of the Maine Federation**

Art Club
Art and Literature Club
Athene ClubBangor
Barton Reading ClubNorway
Current Events club
Educational ClubBelfast
Fortnightly Club Bath
Gleaners' ClubPortland
Mt. David Shakespeare ClubLewiston
Mummy Club Brunswick
Mustard Seed ClubBrunswick
Norumbega ClubBangor
Shakespeare ClubBrunswick
Sorosis Lewiston
Sorosis Skowhegan
Traveller's ClubPortland
Tuesday ClubOakland
Woman's Literary UnionPortland
Woman's Literary ClubSkowhegan
Woman's Literary ClubDexter

## Meetings of Maine Federation

- 1892-Organized in Portland with nineteen clubs.
- 1893—First Annual in Skowhegan
  President, Mrs. Etta H. Osgood, Portland
- 1894—Second Annual in Auburn and Lewiston President, Mrs. Etta H. Osgood, Portland
- 1895—Third Annual in Augusta
  President, Mrs. Belle G. Dowst, Bangor
- 1896-Fourth Annual in Portland President, Mrs. Belle G. Dowst, Bangor
- 1897—Fifth Annual in Bangor
  President, Mrs. Alice Frye Briggs, Auburn
- 1898—Sixth Annual in Brunswick
  President, Mrs. Alice Frye Briggs, Auburn
- 1899-Seventh Annual in Waterville
  President, Mrs. Florence Collins Porter, Caribou
- 1900—Eighth Annual in Rockland
  President, Mrs. Florence Collins Porter, Caribou
- 1901—Ninth Annual in Biddeford President, Mrs. Anna Sargent Hunt, Augusta
- 1902—Tenth Annual in Lewiston and Auburn President, Mrs. Anna Sargent Hunt, Augusta
- 1903—Eleventh Annual in Portland President, Mrs. Emma Dow Armstrong, Lewiston
- 1904—Twelfth Annual in Bar Harbor President, Mrs. Emma Dow Armstrong, Lewiston
- 1905—Thirteenth Annual in Houlton President, Mrs. Eunice N. Frye, Portland

- 1906—Fourteenth Annual in Bangor President, Mrs. Caroline A. Burpee, Houlton
- 1907—Fifteenth Annual in Augusta President, Mrs. Caroline A. Burpee, Houlton
- 1908—Sixteenth Annual in Portland
  President, Mrs. Rosetta C. White, Lewiston
- 1909—Seventeenth Annual in Waterville President, Mrs. Rosetta C. White, Lewiston
- 1910-Eighteenth Annual in Skowhegan President, Mrs. Edna P. Flagg, Portland
- 1911—Nineteenth Annual in Saco President, Mrs. Edna P. Flagg, Portland
- 1912—Twentieth Annual in Bath President, Mrs. Elisabeth Burbank Plummer, Dexter
- 1913—Twenty-first Annual in Lewiston President, Mrs. Elisabeth Burbank Plummer, Dexter
- 1914—Twenty-second Annual in Presque Isle
  President, Mrs. Frederick Parker Abbott, Saco

### Directors' Meetings

1893-First Meeting in Augusta 1894-Second Meeting in Brunswick 1895—Third Meeting in Augusta 1896-Fourth Meeting in Orono 1897—Fifth Meeting in Augusta 1898—Sixth Meeting in Fairfield 1899-Seventh Meeting in Augusta 1900-Eighth Meeting in Westbrook 1901-Ninth Meeting in Augusta 1902-Tenth Meeting in Dexter 1903-Eleventh Meeting in Augusta 1904-Twelfth Meeting in Fairfield 1905—Thirteenth Meeting in Augusta 1906-Fourteenth Meeting in Waterville 1907-Fifteenth Meeting in Augusta 1908-Sixteenth Meeting in Lewiston 1909-Seventeenth Meeting in Augusta 1910-Eighteenth Meeting in Old Town 1911-Nineteenth Meeting in Augusta 1912—Twentieth Meeting in Dexter 1913-Twenty-first Meeting in Portland 1914-Twenty-second Meeting in Augusta

# Officers of Maine Federation of Women's Clubs 1914-1915

# President Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott......Saco Vice President Mrs. Henry A. Wing......142 Wood St., Lewiston Recording Secretary Corresponding Secretary Miss Mary Alma Bradbury......Saco Treasurer Mrs. Charles F. Roberts.............32 May St., Portland Auditor Mrs. S. C. C. Ward......Augusta **Honorary Presidents** Mrs. Etta Haley Osgood 309 Dickinson Ave., Swarthmore, Penna. Mrs. Florence Collins Porter.....South Pasadena, Cal. **General Federation Secretary** Mrs. Idella M. Cross......Presque Isle

### Rules for Chairmen of Departments

- 1. Each department of work should hold at least two meetings annually, notice being sent to each member one week previously.
- 2. No formal action can take place unless a majority is present, except by consent of absent members.
- 3. All annual reports should be submitted to each member for her signature, and must be presented at the annual meeting of the Federation.
- 4. All department correspondence should be on Federation stationery bearing the name of the chairman.
- 5. In sending out printed matter the chairman of a department should include members of the Executive Board and chairmen of other departments.
- 6. Printing for departments must be ordered through Committee on Printing, Mrs. Royal E. Gould, 136 Alfred St., Biddeford.

# **Department Committees**

### ARTS AND CRAFTS

Mrs. A. H. Burse, Chairman				
CIVICS				
Mrs. C. B. Porter, Chairman				
EDUCATION				
Miss Mary C. Richardson, Chairman				
Mrs. Frank L. Powers, ChairmanMadison				
Mrs. Addie L. Harvey				

### LEGISLATION

Mrs. George F. French, Chairman99 High St., Portland Mrs. Frances H. Noble				
HOME ECONOMICS				
Mrs. F. D. Tubbs, Chairman129 Wood St., Lewiston Mrs. E. C. Whittemore				
Mrs. H. R. BensonWinthrop				
BUREAU OF RECIPROCITY				
Mrs. Myrtle L. T. White, ChairmanPresque Isle Mrs. Charles DinsmoreFort Fairfield MÜSIC				
Mrs. Viola De Grys, Chairman The Somerset, Portland				
PUBLICITY				
Miss Helen Havener The Press, Portland				
PRINTING				
Mrs. Royal E. Gould, Chairman, 136 Alfred St., Biddeford				
LITERATURE AND ART				
Mrs. Harry Adams Hersey, Chairman				
SCHOLARSHIP FUND				
Mrs. Charles F. Flagg, Chairman, 77 Carroll St., Portland Mrs. Fred H. White, Treasurer501 Main St., Lewiston Mrs. Moses Burpee				
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# Program of the Twenty-Second Annual Meeting of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs, Free Baptist Church, Presque Isle, September 23-24, 1914

By Invitation of the Pierian and Child Study Club

WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER TWENTY-THIRD EIGHT FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

Meeting of Board of Directors

Formal Opening of Twenty-Second Annual Meeting of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs.

NINE O'CLOCK

Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott, presiding
Guests of Honor, Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, President of
General Federation of Women's Clubs, and
Our ex-Presidents.

Invocation,

Rev. J. B. Ranger

Address of Welcome for Clubs,

Mrs. Myra Vickery Howe, President of Pierian Club Address of Welcome for Town,

Mr. Ernest M. Libby, Principal High School

Response, Greetings, Chorus, Mrs. Henry A. Wing, Vice President Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott, President

School Children of Presque Isle

### EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Report of Chairman, Mrs. Elizabeth P. Merrill Address, "Some Things the Federation May Do for Maine Schools,"

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Address, "Some Things the Federation May Do for Maine Schools,"

Hon. Payson Smith, State Supt. of Schools

Address, "Training for Teaching,"

Prof. San Lorenzo Merriman,
Prin. Aroostook State Normal School
Report of Scholarship Fund,

Mrs. Charles F. Flagg, Chairman REPORT OF OFFICERS

Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary Alma Bradbury
Treasurer, Mrs. George F. French
Auditor, Mrs. Myrtle L. T. White
Report of Club Extension, Mrs. Henry A. Wing, Chairman
INTRODUCTION OF NEW CLUBS

"The Advance Club," Dixfield; "The Research Club," Limerick; "Maine State Nurses' Association;" "Friday Club," South West Harbor; "Excelsior Literary Club," Portland; "The Lincoln Club," Calais and "The Woman's Club," Mars Hill.

Roll-Call of Clubs, Presidents or Appointees
The Best Thing Accomplished During Past Club Year.

ADJOURNMENT TWELVE O'CLOCK

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

ONE FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott, presiding Minutes, Announcements, etc. Reading of Rules.

### REPORTS OF CHAIRMEN

Publicity, Miss Florence L. Nye
Printing, Mrs. Royal E. Gould
Bureau of Reciprocity, Mrs. Wm. F. Atwood
Conservation, Mrs. Frank L. Powers
Legislation, Mrs. Sarah Willard Strout
Endowment.

Mrs. Stanley Plummer, Treasurer of Endowment Fund

DEFARIMENT OF CIVICS

Report of Chairman,

Mrs. C. B. Porter

Informal Discussion, "Woman's Part in Civic Betterment"

### BUSINESS

Report of Nominating Committee, .

Mrs. Rose B. Parker, Chairman

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chorus,

"The Pines of Maine"

ADJOURNMENT

### WEDNESDAY EVENING

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

A Reception to the Officers and Delegates of the Federation and Visitors by Trinity Lodge, F. and A. M.

### THURSDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER TWENTY-FOUR

NINE O'CLOCK

Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott, presiding

Rev. J. C. Gregory Invocation.

Minutes, Announcements, etc.

Greetings,

Messages of Greeting.

Address, "Care of the Eyes,"

Guests of Honor

Sister Organizations Dr. James A. Spaulding

REPORTS OF CHAIRMEN

Music.

Home Economics.

Arts and Crafts,

Art and Literature,

President's Address,

Reports on Credentials,

Roll-Call of Clubs Continued

Mrs. Viola De Grvs Miss Cornelia Palmer

Mrs. W. W. Dunn

Miss Mabel G. Foster

Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott

Mrs. Arthur Gerow

ADJOURNMENT TWELVE O'CLOCK

### THURSDAY AFTERNOON

ONE FORTY-FIVE O'CLOCK

Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott, presiding

Song, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," Male Quartette

Dr. Frank Lawrev

Mr. E. P. Wilkins

Mr. E. I. Waddell

Mr. Alfred Stroebel

### IN MEMORIAM

Report of Necrologist, Mrs. Joseph A. Thompson Song, "Nearer, My God to Thee," Male Quartette Violin and Piano, "Meditation," Meitzke

Mrs. Ivah Woodbery Waddell, Miss Edna Knowles Silent prayer for our sisters who mourn in other countries Address, "Develop Maine Movement,"

Hon. William T. Cobb, President Informal Discussion, led by Mrs. George French How May We Help Along This Splendid Movement? Original Poems, read by Author.

Élizabeth Powers Merrill

### GENERAL FEDERATION

### BIENNIAL REPORTS BY DELEGATES WHO ATTENDED

Mrs. Idella M. Cross Mrs. James T. Jack Mrs. Edbert Kelley Mrs. Olivia W. Moulton Mrs. Belle H. Leavitt Mrs. Russ Bradbury

Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott

Report of National Rivers and Harbors Congress,

Mrs. Sarah Willard Strout, President Report of State Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Pettengill Report State Editor Gen. Fed. Magazine,

Mrs. J. Frank Rich

Report of Resolutions Committee,

Mrs. George F. French, Chairman

Conference of Club Presidents

Club Problems:-How To Meet Them

### ADJOURNMENT

Art Exhibition in Public Library

Maine Scenery by a Maine Artist,

Mr. John Calvin Stevens of Portland

Exhibition of Arts and Crafts in Vestry

### THURSDAY EVENING

EIGHT O'CLOCK

Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott, presiding
Piano Duet, 2nd Valse Brilliante, J. Schulhof Op. 20,
Mrs. E. W. Fernald, Mrs. E. I. Waddell

Mrs. Sanford E. Preble

Solo, Cradle Song, Violin and Piano.

Miss Avis Washburn, Miss Edna Knowles

Selection, Houlton Woman's Club Quartette

Mrs. L. O. Ludwig Mrs. Horace Hughes Mrs. O. A. Hodgins Mrs. S. A. Fairbanks

Solo, "Springtime of Love,"

"The Nightingale Has a Lyre of Gold,"

Mrs. Horace Buxton

"Brotherhood"

Address, "Federation Ideals,"

Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker,

President of the General Federation

Chorus,

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### ADJOURNMENT

### COMMITTEES

### RESOLUTIONS

Mrs. George F. French 'Mrs. Jennie R. Goodall Miss Fanny E. Lord

### CREDENTIALS

Mrs. Arthur Gerow Mrs. Jennie McAndrews
Mrs. Frank Lawrey

### BADGES

Mrs. Lydia Russell Rideout, Chairman

Mrs. Myrtle L. T. White, Chairman Mrs. S. R. Greenwood, Vice-Chairman PRESS

Mrs. H. B. Forbes, Chairman

Mrs. E. I. Waddell, Chairman

PAGES

Miss Marie Gould Miss Rachel Robinson
Miss Madeline Hardy Miss Alecia Hayford
Miss Reta Higgins

### USHERS

Mrs. Benjamin Franklin Mrs. Carroll Hanson Mrs. Nathan Perry Mrs. Thomas F. Phair Miss Hope Whidden Miss Laurel Wallace

I hold it as a changeless law,
From which no soul can sway or swerve,
We have that in us which will draw
Whate'er we need or most deserve.

-Trine.

### Brotherhood.

As Sung at Chicago Biennial

Chorus Led by Miss Margaret Woodrow Wilson. Air—"Die Watch Am Rhein."

The crest and crowning of all good, Life's final star is brotherhood; For it will bring again to earth Her youthful Poesy and Mirth; 'Twill bring new light to every face, A kingly power upon the race; And 'til it comes, we all, we all are slaves, And travel downward to the dust of graves. Come, clear the way, then, clear the way, The fear of kings has had its day; Sweep dead branches from the path, Our hope is in the aftermath: Our hone is in heroic men, Star led to build the world again; To this event the mighty ages ran, Make way for Brotherhood; make way for Man.

-Adapted from "Brotherhood," by Edwin Markham.

### Collect for Clubwomen

Keep us, O God, from pettiness, let us be large in thought, in word, in deed.

Let us be done with faultfinding and leave off self-seeking.

May we put away all pretense and meet each other face to face, without self-pity and without prejudice.

May we be never hasty in judgment and always generous.

Teach us to put into action our better impulses, straight-forward and unafraid.

Let us take time for all things, make us to grow calm, serene, gentle.

Grant that we may realize it is the little things that create differences; that in the big things of life we are as one.

And may we strive to touch and to know the great common heart of us all; and, O Lord God, let us not forget to be kind.

# President's Address Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott

Ladies of the Maine Federation:-

The year that has just rushed past, as on the wings of the wind, has been so filled with absorbing duties that it seems but yesterday, when your president, newly elected stood on the platform at Lewiston and declared herself yours to command. Generous have been the demands,—joyously, faithfully through the entire year, has she kept faith with you. More hours in the days, and more days in the year would have been necessary to fill all demands of the organization, and the many outside requests, which for the honor and dignity of our good organization, must be met with prompt and gracious courtesy. (But for long training in public service, it might have been hard at times, to subordinate all personal affairs to the point of almost total elimination.)

Whereas it is customary to deliver the president's report, or address as we choose to term it, in the third person, which to her seems stilted, unnatural and remote, she begs to waive this custom, and to speak to you simply, from the fullness of her heart, unhampered by any seeming artificiality.

To give more than a hint of the year's activities would take more time than is at our disposal. Time in fact has been the Great Bugbear.

Though one might bestride this good State from Kittery to Eastport in an evening with compass; the little imp of discouragement chuckles when a railway time table is brought forth. That old "13, 15, 14" puzzle was easy compared with such problems as Bangor, Berwick, Castine and Calais, in the order named, within one short

week, or Foxcroft, Dexter, Biddeford and Augusta in forty-eight hours. (Remembering, always that the starting point, my home, is in the country four miles from the Saco Railroad station, and that Saco makes no proud pretense of importance as a Railroad Centre.) I have acquired a profound appreciation of Maine territory, and could mention, though not recommend, several varieties of climate quite overlooked by Mark Twain, and the good roads question has become to me an obsession.

I should like, if time permitted, to speak of each club visit separately, for each has had its own pleasing individuality and interest, and each, I assure you, has its own snug corner in my memory. The spirit of reciprocity has been wonderful. Seldom has a club entertained the State President without some special guests. In many cases, several clubs have been represented. At one, greetings from seven clubs made a charming feature. Now this is the right spirit—the ideal way to spread the gospel of Federation.

Because of an innate fondness for young people, in whom I see visions of great hopes carried forward.—I count the times when they have formed a part of my audience as special favors. An evening at Foxcroft Town Hall was a delight to me. An excellent lantern in the hands of an expert electrician brought out the beauty of line and color in the slides of the Abbey pictures. The story of the Grail, of Galahad, the pure in heart, with an audience largely made up of dear hero-worshiping young men and women. Again, a Biddeford Church, filled with bright, eager Boy Scouts and Camp Fire Girls from the two cities-with pictures and simple, true stories of the woods and fields. At the Nasson Institute in Springvale, the privilege of twice addressing those fair young students of Home Economics. May we not oftener have our young people with us? They may carry to successful issue the ardent desires of our own hearts.

I acknowledge with appreciation several visits to our gracious hostess of a year ago, the Androscoggin County

Literary Union. I spent one especially bright and memorable day with the Kennebec Union at Skowhegan, and have paid several fraternal visits to the Portland Literary Union.

The true spirit of Reciprocity, of friendly co-operation has been manifest throughout the State. Many times have the doors of club hospitality swung wide in my home County, Biddeford, Saco, Sanford, Springvale, Kennebunk, Kennebunkport, Old Orchard and Berwick furnishing good programs and good cheer to neighboring clubs.

I would tell you of an inspiring visit to the Nineteenth Century Club in Bangor, of another to the Teachers' Club in that fine Assembly Hall of Bangor's splendid new High School—and of the demonstration luncheon given by Miss Cornelia Palmer, our chairman of Home Economics, at the University of Maine; of the Calais Clubs, and the Canadian Club of St. Stephen, across the border; of Rumford and Farmington, Waterville, Augusta, Lisbon, New Gloucester, Yarmouth, Westbrook, et cetera.

(It has been a privilege and pleasure to represent your Federation in many pleasant places outside the State. The New England Conference at Manchester, New Hampshire; the Annual Meeting of the New Hampshire Federation at Laconia; the Canadian Club of St. Stephen; The Daughters of Maine at Somerville, Mass., and the great Biennial at Chicago.

The Develop Maine Meeting at Augusta was, perhaps, the greatest privilege of the year. I wish every woman in the State might have been present. It was indeed good to be there, to feel the keen, thrilling enthusiasm of such a rally, and the deep satisfaction of knowing that our men are with us for progress and development; for social and civic betterment. Not as a compliment, but a mark of honest appreciation and respect, came the invitation for the Federation to join them in this great work; that they have placed your president's name upon

their executive board and many prominent club women are their advisory board should be a matter of pride to spur us to greater work, to deeper concern. A meeting of leading educators of the State, held at Bates College, was heartening and purposeful. Other visits have been made to Kings' Daughters and W. C. T. U. societies, to schools, to sick and lonely.

Field Days, real days of hearts desire.—A June day at Old Falls with the Searchlight Club of Sanford, luncheon on the river bank, bird songs and rippling waters; the fragrance of blossoming wild grapes, of violets and ferns, of deep sweet comradeship. A July day at Cape Elizabeth with the Educational and Industrial Union of Saco,—a shore dinner, Biennial tales, music, blue sky and sparkling sea. An August day with Aroostook folk,—a shimmering lake, deep, cool woods of cedar and birch; ferns, orchids, fungi and mosses; a picnic dinner beneath the trees by the lakeside, a heart to heart talk of many things—and with all a feeling of friendliness, of kinship, with all created things and beings—pleasant, profitable days and all too rare.

A Federation President's mail is much heavier and all engrossing than one might suppose. I have, personally, sent out almost two thousand letters and post cards, not including the three "Calls" and other matter sent out from the Secretary's office. This has meant writing early and late, on trains and in railway stations, which, as you may suspect, is not conducive to clear thinking and freshness of mind for the address at the end of the journey. Many letters have requested a "reply by return mail." Many times this has meant an extra trip to post, a drive of eight miles, to accommodate, with the depressing feeling that even then the letter might not reach its destination for time stipulated. With malice toward none, but to be absolutely impersonal I would beg that such requests be tempered with mercy. All communications have been answered to date. Telephoning, telegraphing, the preparation of programs, Year Books, interviewing speakers and other incidentals have consumed much time.

It has been my pleasure to deliver fifty-six addresses (not including numerous greetings, toasts, etc., at fraternal functions.)

Your executive board has worked earnestly, harmoniously and with single purpose—the best good of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs. Four formal meetings and several informal conferences, with frequent communications by letter and telephone have kept us in close touch. The fact that several chairmen of committees were present made the last meeting, the post Biennial, of special interest.

After a year of service, of acquaintance with people, clubs and localities; with the clear and broad vision of actual experience, I want to assure you—that, though I set out with deep faith and bright hopes, today my faith is deeper, my hopes brighter, my vision clearer. I have found a wholesome growth of ambition, of civic pride, a unity of purpose, a spirit of progress, that is wonderfully encouraging.

There is much to do, with renewed courage and determination, let us here, today, consecrate ourselves anew to the service of humanity—our most gracious prerogative.

With deep appreciation of the golden opportunities of service that have been mine as the head of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs, I thank you. I thank you for your ready sympathy and hearty co-operation; for your friendly, heart-warming letters, and the gracious hospitality of your clubs and your homes.

### Report of Corresponding Secretary

Madam President, Women of the Maine Federation:

The work of the corresponding Secretary has been as follows:

One hundred and fifty-one pieces of mail have been received. One hundred and fifty-two letters have been written and mailed. The call for the mid-winter meeting and the call for the annual meeting, together with ballot slips and credential cards have been sent to each club. The Directory Blanks have been sent to the President of each club. Fifty per cent of the clubs returned slips properly filled out. A second request has been made and at the date of writing this report twenty-five per cent of the clubs have failed to send in Directory Blanks.

Four hundred and twenty-seven Year Books have been sent out. Five dollars and twenty-five cents have been received from the sale of twenty-one Year Books and the same amount has been forwarded to the Treasurer of the Federation. Twenty dollars have been received for postage and twenty-one dollars and twenty-two cents have been spent for postage.

By cash received sale Year Books	25
\$26.	 17
To paid for postage	

\$26.47

**600 00** 

Two Clubs have withdrawn from the Komango Club, Elite Club,	e Federation: Woodfords Woodfords
Eight Clubs have joined the Federatio	on:
	thwest Harbor
Research Club,	Limerick
Advance Club,	Dixfield
Schumann Club,	Bangor
Maine State Nurses' Association,	Portland
Riverside Reading Club,	Kittery
Excelsior Literary Club,	Portland
Lincoln Club,	Calais

The corresponding secretary has endeavored to attend to all duties that have come to her and all that have been given her by the President. She appreciates the many courtesies that have been shown her during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY A. BRADBURY, Corresponding Secretary.

# Report of the Treasurer

The Treasurer said that the balance is on deposit in the Portland National Bank; \$327 on interest and the rest to the credit of check account.

> Respectfully submitted, LIZZIE H. FRENCH, Treasurer.

# Report of the Auditor

Mrs. Myrtle L. T. White, auditor, gave her report as follows:--

I have carefully examined the books of your treasurer, Mrs. George F. French, for the year ending September 10th, 1914, and find them correct and properly youched.

Respectfully submitted,

MYRTLE L. T. WHITE,
Auditor.

The report of the treasurer as audited was accepted.

### Report of General Federation Secretary

Madam President, Ladies and Friends of the Maine Federation:

Again it is my great privilege, as representative of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, to bring a message of greetings and good wishes from that organization to the Maine Federation, and to give a brief report of the work done by your secretary during the year to bring these two bodies in closer touch with each other for the greater benefit of both.

Since the last annual Federation Meeting over two hundred communications have been sent out. Among these were circular letters from Mrs. Pennybacker, President of the General Federation, sent to every individual club that makes up our great State Federation, urging that club to consider seriously the question of joining the General Federation.

In response to these letters the five following clubs asked for application for membership in the General Fed eration: The Current Events Club of Portland, Tyngtown Club of Wilton, Winthrop Literary Club of Winthrop, Woman's Club of Eastport and the Travelers Club of Portland.

Many other clubs wrote asking what the advantage would be to their club from joining the General Federation. This was a question to which it was very difficult to give satisfactory answer.

The amount of good that an individual derives from joining any organization depends largely upon himself. If he wishes to join an organization because he has studied the principles, purposes and ideals of that organization,

and, approving of them thoroughly, believes that, by uniting with such an organization, his own aims and ideals may be strengthened and broadened, and is willing to do his part to uphold and maintain this organization there is no estimate to the amount of good that may be derived.

Many clubs have signified their desire to join the General Federation, but claim that there are so many demands made upon them to support local causes that they cannot afford the annual dues of ten cents per capita required for membership in the General Federation.

If such clubs could become more intimately acquainted with the great work that the General Federation has already accomplished, and with the still greater work for good that it hopes to accomplish, they would be willing to make the self-sacrifice that the little additional tax for dues would require, that they might do their part to carry on this work.

It is unfortunate that our geographical location makes it impossible for the great part of our club women to attend the General Federation Biennial Meetings, where they could come in touch with the active workers of that great organization.

But, since this is so, let me urge upon both clubs and individual members the importance of obtaining the information that can be secured from the General Federation of Women's Clubs Magazine.

This is issued each month and contains reports and suggestions from clubs and club women all over our United States. Nowhere could be found greater inspiration for better, bigger service in club work.

Will the club Presidents and delegates please ask the clubs which they represent to acquaint themselves more thoroughly with the work of the General Federation, and to consider more seriously the question of uniting with it, so that, to the nine clubs which now hold direct membership in the General Federation, there may be such an in-

crease in number that the Maine club women may feel they are doing their full part in this great organization which, as Mrs. Pennybacker says, "is unifying the aspirations and ideals of our women, and is an ever-increasing force for righteousness in public and private life."

Respectfully submitted,
H. ELIZABETH PETTENGILL,
General Federation Secretary for Maine.

### Arts and Crafts

Madam President, Ladies and Friends of the Federation:

The following report of the year's work is respectfully submitted by the Chairman of Arts and Crafts.

Since the department of Arts and Crafts specializes the education of the hand, an exhibition of hand-work is a feature of every year's program. At the annual session of the Federation at Lewiston in 1913, the exhibition was held in the vestry of the Pine Street Methodist Church. It consisted for the most part of articles produced in the western part of the state, as it was the intention of the Chairman to divide the state into two sections, owing to the cost of transportation and use the articles found nearest the place of meeting for each year of her service. It is a pleasure to know that as a result of this meeting, several ladies learned from whom articles, such as baskets, hand painted china and rugs could be obtained, and employment given to many who were seeking to dispose of their handiwork. We desire to increase the exchange of ideas and articles, so that this exhibition may be used as a woman's exchange for the club women of Maine.

It has been said that, "Federation means opportunity and responsibility" and no better way of using this opportunity of service can be found than to give assistance to those club women living in rural districts who are developing home industries as a means of income. The interest of club women in the promotion of village and cottage industry grows stronger each year, still we need more cooperation and enthusiasm. There is no truer axiom than throughout the universe is bound to every other atom by the statement that, no life is isolated; as every atom subtle influence, so each human life stands related to all

other lives. We must help one another, not by precept, but by being: and what we are communicates itself.

It was the desire of the committee to obtain the pottery exhibit sent out by the General Federation, to bring to Presque Isle. Mrs. Morey would have sent it to Maine from Nebraska if we could have secured the promise of eight clubs to use the exhibition either in the club or for libraries and schools, paying five dollars and cost of transportation from one club to another.

The Chairman earnestly desires that the eight clubs may be obtained before another year and the fine exhibit of sixty pieces brought to us. It is not possible for the few who compose this committee to achieve great results without the support of every member of the Federation.

As the members of this committee were widely separated it was impossible for us to hold a meeting of all the committee to discuss plans for the year. By corresponding with those I could not see I have tried to learn the wishes of each. Many clubs have been visited by different members of the committee and an increasing interest is felt in the Arts and Crafts movement. Several clubs have had an exhibition and many are planning to devote one day of the year to the study of Crafts, Household Decoration, Landscape Architecture and Municipal Art. We confidently believe that the interest in this department will continue to increase.

I wish to express my appreciation of the helpfulness of my committee and thanks to the ladies of the Federation for the pleasure and honor which this office has been to me.

MRS. WILFRED W. DUNN.

# Report of the Credential Committee

Madam President:
At the present session of the State Federation of
Women's Clubs there have been handed in credentials as follows:
Number of Clubs represented54
Number of Presidents33
Number of President's Appointees 4
Number of Delegates64
Number of Past Presidents of Federation 2
Number of Officers of Federation 5
Total108

Respectfully submitted,
MARTHA K. GEROW, Chairman

### Report of the Music Committee

Madam President and Women of the Federation:-

In reading the Year-Book I was impressed by one phrase in the music report, viz:—that our aim was "to raise the standard of Music in this state." I hope you will pardon my saying that it would be very difficult to do this. The musical standard may need to be raised in some of the states, but Maine, as usual, stands on a pinnacle by herself, placed there largely by the work of the Maine Music Festival, under the leadership of Mr. W. R. Chapman, and his corps of local directors; by the remarkable results achieved Llewellyn Caine as conductor and organizer of the Saco Valley Music Association. Do we not have even in every small town, having enterprise and interest enough in music to form a chorus, the finest compositions in music worked over until they are known by heart, and until such names as Mendelssohn, Handel, Hadyn, Wagner, Verdi, De Bussy and a host of others, are as well-known to us as the names of Washington and Lincoln?

What of the wonderful Municipal Organ, in Portland, its incomparable organist, Mr. Will C. Macfarlane, and his lecture recitals to the school children; the every day concerts during the Summer, the popular priced concerts arranged by the Music Commission in the Winter, to say nothing of the free Sunday afternoon services nearly the whole year round! Is not the new City Hall the Mecca of every layman as well as musician throughout the State?

What, too, of the host of musical and literary clubs in all the Cities and towns of the State through which we have constantly available to those interested, the finest musical programs! Then, too, anyone who has attended

a meeting of the Maine Music Teachers, must have come away with the assurance of her eyes as well as her ears, that our children are being taught music by some of the brightest women to be met with in any community.

So that it would seem, because we cannot hope to be leaders in this great movement, that we had better devote our energies to upholding the hands of those who have already performed the hardest part of the good work, and to extending the influence of this high standard, until it shall embrace every town, village and hamlet of our State.

Isolated communities in the State now depend upon local singing school and the Grange for their education in music, and a possible plan for bringing them into closer relation with the very best in music, would be for the Federation, or the component clubs to accumulate a fund sufficient to purchase or rent a certain number of mechanical players or graphophones with good music records, and then, through some method similar to that of the circulating libraries of our State Library, circulate the records.

In this way, at small expense, the finest music in the world, rendered by the greatest artists, could be effectively utilized for uplift even in the most isolated districts through the instrumentality of neighborhood meetings in the school houses, or of the social services in the church, or even in some private house when no more suitable place is available.

Let us resolve this year, not only as Clubs but as Individuals, to find out if there are any nearby places less fortunate musically than we are, and if so, do something definite, in the way of concerts, if nothing more, to give them pleasure as well as benefit.

VIOLA DE GRYS, Chairman.

### Report of the Educational Committee

The work of the club women of the State broadens year by year. They are using their influence to better the conditions of life in home, school, and in affairs of the commonwealth.

Living in the midst of the most complex life the world has ever known they see the need of new methods to meet the problems that confront an expanding civilization. They seek the readjustment of measures and institutions that lie at the foundation of American life. They realize that the citizen of the great tomorrow must possess Health and Morality.

Therefore the educational committee of this body of women have endeavored to bring to the notice of educators and the people of Maine, the pressing need of moral and physical training in our school. That children should possess clean minds in well developed bodies should be the aim of every parent, school and educator.

Paul declares that the redemotion for which the world waits, is that "Human beings shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God." The poet has said "that self-reverence, self-knowledge, self-control, lead life to sovereign power." Reverence, knowledge, self-control, these can be taught in our schools as nowhere else, for the trained teacher is a greater power for good than the untrained parent.

The school of today occupies a much broader sphere than the school of our forefathers. The school of today must weld together in common purposes and interests many races of many climes. Consider the difference between the education of the earlier days of the republic and the present day education.

The school of pioneer days of this country was not instituted to take the place of development by work but as an aid to work. Life was the teacher and boys and girls were educated by different kinds of work on the farm or in the village home. The boy learned much that he has no chance of learning today. He could repair wagon or harness, build buildings, take care of animals, sow and reap. He knew the life about him, not from books, but from actual experience. The girl, too, received her training in the home. Children also received religious training. The church was a powerful factor in their lives. Home, church and school were in harmony. The three constituted the social life of the community. All of this was education. It served to keep young people in the right path and to give to the world self-reliant, reliable men and women.

What a change from that day to this!

Today children are hearing and seeing, instead of doing and becoming. The public school, at first a place to impart the rudiments of learning, has been converted into the most important institution of democracy. The "good old times" have gone and the "good new times" have come. "The old order changeth giving place to new,

"And God fulfills Himself in manu ways."

Into this new and vastly more complex organization of life, enter difficult social and industrial problems, awaiting solution. Therefore the need of broad, general, and diversified training for the scholars in our schools. The school curriculum is changing, it must change more, to meet the new conditions that confront each new generation. Vocational schools and special types of schools will soon find a place in our educational system, schools not for the Few, but for All.

To accomplish the changes needed there must be close co-operation between home and educators. Teachers as well as mothers must be able to inspire children with the nobility and beauty of lives lived unto noble ends. Knowledge and righteousness must walk hand in hand.

The work of public education is the most important line of work with which the republic has to do. Its importance cannot be estimated. It is within the power of every individual to do great good or great harm. Therefore each child should be trained to his or her best.

We hear people talk of children being over-educated. A person cannot be over-educated if his education is adapted to his needs and the needs of the community in which he dwells. The men and women who dedicate their lives to educational work have dedicated themselves to the greatest service of life. They must give of their very life blood!

They must know life, its needs, its problems! They must have a broad outlook! They must have a vision of the world at its best! They must have courage to stand by their convictions! They must train the children of men for good, useful, and efficient action!

Therefore the women of Maine, loving their homes and children, would gladly unite with schools and educators in considering ways and means by which our schools may be improved. As chairman of this committee, I ask all educators to give a large place to the physical and moral training of children. You ask how this training shall be given?

Each new school building should have a great moral truth carved over its open doorway. Each room one great principle carved over the teacher's desk. A school book should be issued filled with the noblest precepts of all ages, with quotations from the great teachers of the race. Each child should be obliged to commit certain parts each day and recite them each morning. One-half hour of each day should be given to the study of moral truths. One-half hour also to the proper care of the body and the

duty of every child to make the most of himself physically.

Unless with knowledge we give our children noble minds and wholesome, symmetrical, bodies, we have failed in the real purpose of education. We ask for the wisest training for our children, not alone for themselves, we ask it that our democracy may be protected, and our best institutions survive!

Respectfully,

ELIZABETH POWERS MERRILL.

# Report of the Conservation Committee

Madam President, Club Members of the Federation and Friends:

Your chairman of Conservation begs to submit the following report of the year's work:

The work this year as in the past has been principally along lines laid down by the General Federation Chairman, Mrs. Emmons Crocker, forestry and bird saving being the main subjects. To these we have added fire protection and have tried to do what we could along these lines.

I have been asked many times the past year the difference between forestry, as our department was formerly called, and conservation; therefore I thought it might be well to make this explanation.

The Forestry Committee in 1910 was re-organized into the Conservation Department, and although this department of work has changed its name, it has not changed its purpose, but merely extended it.

While we realize that forestry is the very foundation of Conversation of all natural resources, that birdlife is closely related to forestry, because birds are the natural protectors of the trees as well as other vegetation. One writer has said: "No birds, no trees; no trees, no birds," and that water, the vitally important natural resource—it being absolutely necessary to all life—comes next in order of Conservation.

Each member of the committee has worked along these lines in connection with the clubs and schools. Prizes have been offered by some of the committee in their localities for the best essay on Conservation, and at Old Town High School permanent prizes on bird essays

have been established, bird houses built, and the principal, Prof. Hamlin, gives talks to the students about stoning and shooting the birds,—a right step in the right direction.

The committee have sent out circular letters to Club Presidents and we feel that some progress has been made as so many of the clubs have had one or more programs devoted to Conservation, and many calls have come to the Chairman for programs on that subject for the coming year.

Fire protection and Arbor Day leaflets have been distributed, also other literature.

I wish that each member present might take home with her the true meaning of Conservation. At first it included only the protection of our natural resources, but it has broadened to includes vital resources. It does not mean merely the protection of our forests and water powers, but it means the protection of our animals, fish and birds as well. Shall we not educate our children to care for the trees near our dwellings, to protect the birds, to be on the outlook for fires and to be on the alert to preserve rather than destroy? For "the children of to-day are the men and women of tomorrow."

Respectfully submitted,

CLARA E. POWERS,

Chairman Conservation Committee M. F. W. C.

# Report of Department of Legislation

Madam President, Members of the Federation and Friends:

When we review the numerous acts of legislation, both at home and abroad, it becomes apparent—we are living in an age of quick changes of thought. Action taken on the revision of the tariff, currency law, measures to protect and increase the shipping industry of the United States, a new code, to cover questions when small coteries assume to dictate to the government, what it shall and what it shall not do—while most important—appear to carry nothing revolutionary, in any of the new standards, thus made. Yet, under the new conditions, complications that have arisen in national affairs, may seek greater readjustment, in favor of the many—which in truth is as it should be—how best to conserve the interests of all the people.

#### INDUSTRIAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

The panorama presented by this subject shows clearly we have not relieved the condition existing between capital and labor. However, with the creation of a Department of Labor—a clearing house for devices preventive of industrial accidents—also, the Trades Dispute act, embracing the relation of labor organizations to the antitrust laws of the country, as well as the Industrial Commission bill, to investigate the entire subject of industrial relations, with a view of ascertaining the best method of dealing with such differences—are recent enactments favoring a more harmonious solution of disputes, arising from time to time, in labor circles.

Our State legislature should get busy on this ques-

tion, too, when they failed at the last session to shorten the hours in which women are permitted to work. The law still reads fifty-six hours per week for women employed in factories, against fifty-four, for the male members of the family.

Wrong never did have, and wrong never will have, a vested right in a free country. Hence, the tendency of modern legislation is toward shortening the hours of labor for women.

While upon this subject of women who toil, allow me to remind you that twenty-one states have in operation measures providing aid, in some form, to widowed mothers with children under fourteen years, in order to maintain the home life and a mother's care. Would it not be well to call the attention of the voters in the State to what other communities are doing upon the subject?

As for the social conditions, those topics dealing with the public morals call for your best thought and cooperation.

The General Federation of Womens Clubs have advised us to be more modest in matters of dress, in order that the rights and privileges of the individual may be maintained and the morals of the community improved. It is idle to study conditions, if we will not raise a finger to improve them, in so small a matter as modest attire.

Efforts the past year have again been turned to a movement to reform delinquent women in the State. This interest culminated in a hearing in April before a committee appointed by the legislature to investigate the need of a Woman's Reformatory. From evidence introduced from those familiar with conditions prevalent among girls and women needing our aid, we recommend that we express our very great desire for the establishment of such an institution in our State. Your chairman attended the hearing and through correspondence, your committee invited club women to interest themselves in its behalf. Among other recommendations of this committee would

come the wish that something might be done to make husbands who are outside the limits of the State support their families.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH .

The Maine Anti-Tuberculosis Association, in face of the great need for better facilities in the care of tubercular patients, enlist our aid to secure the enactment of law, this winter, which will bring Maine a little nearer the front among the 14 states which have such law. Your committee recommends that the Federation watch the proposed legislation.

Statutes are needed that will more effectively apply the principles and requirements of our food control laws to hotels, restaurants, cafes, and all public eating places, to the end that the use of all adulterated food may be prohibited and that the wholesomeness of foods and the health of the consumers be safeguarded by reasonable and effective sanitary and hygenic requirements. Your committee not only calls your attention to the subject, but the American Association of Dairy, Food and Drug officials are active for such regulation.

The needless pollution of the waters of the State is a matter of vital interest to everyone, and the federal measure covering the point I feel will receive your endorsement.

Furthermore, while upon the subject of water, should we not join with the State Board of Trade, who have already passed resolutions endorsing the Rivers and Harbors bill now before Congress. No measure was ever more misunderstood than this one. As our State is the beneficiary in the appropriation which the measure calls for, an expression from this body might help our Senators.

#### POLITICS-STATE AND MUNICIPAL.

There is no use denying the fact, every man, woman and child in Maine is held in a net, controlled by political despotism.

I need not tell you about politics in our milk, when the standard will permit the adulterated article to pass the test, equal to the pure milk as nature provides it. Neither how politicians make our laws and regulate the price and quality of our food; nor, again, the increasing demand for a cleaner state and municipal housekeeping; but, rather, how may we uproot the corruption of political bribery.

We are told there are no political pulls under a nonpartisan government. Then why not adopt the commission form of government, in place of mayor and council system? And what about the educational test for all voters, male or female—should the latter ever be given the privilege of qualifying?

If you would see better public officials, enquire why the present ones are in power. If you should not like their business methods, agitate the subject when an opportunity presents. If your cause is just public sentiment will be with you. Only men who enforce the law should be permitted to hold office. Why not restore the profession to its once high position? Business men always seek for the best when looking for heads of departments—not the broken in health and the one who never made a success in life.

The time for cajoling woman's influence, in matters of legislation, appears to be fast passing away, when we consider how we are asked to help support almost every important corrective measure. True, why should not thousands of women, with years of training, become an assistant power when banded together—help in righting humanity's wrongs?

Noble service, we call it! But are not these women working with tied hands, when attempting to unravel legislative skeins which bind us to unfair conditions?

In our study of political equality, to which we have been directed to give our attention—kindly remember to consider the topic on a broad basis—in that it places woman on an equal plane with man—socially, industrially, single standard, and all that it implies.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH WILLARD STROUT,

Chairman Department of Legislation.

### Report of Home Economic Committee

The report this year is encouraging in a great many ways. Comparing it with last year, we find that whereas then, only twenty-one clubs reported as having this special work on their club programme, this year thirty-seven have included it. This means there is a wider interest and the importance of the work is being reclized.

The chairman asked each club to express the special need it felt along this particular line and to offer suggestions in regard to the best way the committee could be of use. Many of the clubs asked for literature and general information and others for the inspiration which comes from contact with co-workers. Several noted the need of Home Economics introduced into the schools of their towns and a number wished for suggestions for Home Economics programmes. The Committee has tried to meet these needs in so far as it has been possible but only a beginning has been made.

The chairman in her double capacity has been able to reach some of the clubs through extension lectures and demonstrations. About a dozen clubs have visited in this way, as well as a number of granges. The expense to the club is only for traveling and entertainment when it comes through the Extension Service of the University.

In order to meet the demand for suggestions for taking up the work in individual clubs the chairman prepared and had published a general outline covering various phases of the work. This with a Bibliography of Home Economics Books prepared for the University was sent to the secretary of each club, hoping it would find its way to the club members most interested and be of real value in organizing the work. Copies of this bulletin are placed in

our Reciprocity Bureau with Mrs. W. F. Atwood, Bangor, and may be secured from her as long as the issue lasts.

Special efforts have been made in several places to clarify the general hazy conception of the meaning of Home Economics and show how the work can and should be introduced into the school curriculum. A few of the clubs deserve special mention because of their efforts in this department.

Waterville Women's Club has a Local Home Economics Committee of thirty-five which works independently of the club. It had a varied programme for 1913-14 devoting thirteen afternoons to this work.

The Literary Union of Androscoggin County, through its efficient Department Committee, gave a course of four lectures and demonstrations during January and February.

Kennebunk is agitating work and play for girls similar to that provided for boys at Y. W. C. A.

Northeast Harbor has five evenings of the year devoted to Home Economics.

Solon reported seven regular meetings thus assigned.

#### SUGGESTIONS.

The above summary suggests certain things to the chairman which are not departmental but vital to the Federation as a whole. First, you will notice that only 57 per cent of the clubs replied to the questionaire sent out and only 46 per cent in time to be represented in my report to the General Federation secretary. Maine cannot afford to be misrepresented in this way. It seems to the chairman that although this is a minor point it represents the attitude of many clubs and many women toward the larger work of the General Federation. There is no particular advantage in mere statistics but there is great advantage in knowing what and how the work is carried on elsewhere and to use the experience of others and not contribute to the general fund of knowledge is both self-

ish and unbusinesslike. Any committee cannot do its best work without the prompt cooperation of the local clubs.

The meaning and use of the term Home Economics is not yet very clearly understood. Some of the reports are confusing because of this. Home Economics is the name now officially adopted by the American Home Economics Association and being rapidly adopted by the women's clubs all over the country in accordance with the request of the General Federation Chairman of that Department, to cover any work along homemaking lines. It is not confined to the culinary activities nor even to these plus Textiles and sewing but has a broader meaning than Domestic Science or Domestic Art formerly used in this connection. This again is a minor point but if there is a correct approved name which has a reason for its existence, let us be businesslike enough to use it.

In conclusion I wish to thank the Federation for the privilege of doing a little this year toward the development of Maine homes. My relations with the splendid club women of your state have been pleasant indeed. The inspirations I have received from those with whom I have come in contact have made it seem very much worth while and I have formed a bond of sympathy and friendship which will ever remain with me.

May the work go forward by leaps and bounds until every corner of the state shall bear witness to the splendid efforts of this great Federation of Home Makers.

#### Summary-

Questionaire sent to one hundred and forty-one clubs. Replies received from eighty clubs.

Replies received in time for report to General Federation from sixty-five clubs.

Eighty towns represented by the one hundred and forty-one clubs.

Reports secured from fifty-eight towns.

# Figures gleaned from reports-

Twenty-four towns have Home Economics in sch	ools
Twenty-six special teachers of Home Economics.	
Eighteen towns have special teachers.	
Thirty-seven clubs have Home Economics topic	s on
programmes for 1913-14.	
Appropriation for department\$	10.00
Postage	6.13
Balance turned into Department of Printing	3.84
500 Bulletins for the Department paid by	
Department of Printing	8.00
Respectfully submitted	

CORNELIA PALMER LOCKWOOD.

### Report of the Bureau of Reciprocity

Madam President, and Members of the Federation:

In making this, my final report of the work of the Reciprocity Bureau, I desire to express my appreciation of the many cordial and courteous letters which I have received, and of the genuine interest which has been shown by many members of the Federation in the work of this Department. As Chairman of this branch of the Federation work my correspondence and interest in your wants has brought me in such contact with you that I feel acquainted with you and your clubs as nothing in the Federation has made me feel; and from the cordial thanks and letters received from you, it seems there is reciprocity even in the matter of social exchanges.

The Reciprocity Committee is glad to report progress, and that it can present to you some visible result of its work the past year. In February circular letters were sent out to Club presidents and others, announcing that the committee would issue a new catalog of the papers in the Bureau, and asking that clubs aid the committee by sending some of their best papers. The response from the clubs was so gratifying that the contents of the Bureau was nearly doubled, inspiring us to believe that the work of this department of the Federation might be made to become, "like the prophet Habakkuk, capable of anything."

The new catalog is ready, and will soon be distributed, one to each club in the Federation. Additional copies may be secured from the Chairman of the Reciprocity Committee, upon receipt of the small fee charged. The papers in the Bureau now number nearly four hundred,—many of them of unusual interest. Many of the City

Clubs. having access to large public or private libraries. have little need of help from the Reciprocity Bureau, yet, through the Bureau the past year, several of the clubs of our largest cities profited by some of the best papers in it. To these clubs I would make a great plea for more thought for the Reciprocity Bureau. Do they realize how great their opportunities are for mental and moral culture? Do they also realize how hampered many of the clubs in the rural communities are by their lack of access to reference books and libraries? There are also many practical and thoughtful papers written by the women living in the quiet towns which would be helpful to the city clubs, for as some one has truly said, "Real thinking on the vital questions of life need quiet and leisure hours."

It was my privilege recently to read an article on Reciprocity Between Clubs by Mrs. Elizabeth Ballad Thompson, printed in the New Cycle of June, 1894. She says. "Colleagues, what can we do to enrich our wealth of being? There is a way as old as the Apostle Paul; Paul failed not in frequent writing to his churches. ever was a printed page like the hand of a friend? believe that to this old power of contact must we chiefly look for acquaintance and sympathy between our clubs. Every club has three or four papers each year which it would not be ashamed to own anywhere. Why not send them to a Bureau presided over by Federation officers? A long list would result, which sent to federated clubs would form a roll from which to choose, according to subject, location or personality. This is a plan for contact between clubs. It is likewise a plea for the growth of American literature! In our gratitude for the brilliance of the ready speaker let us not forget the permanent literary value of the member who has expression with her pen only. Let our member who can speak, have the platform. Let our member who can write have the Reciprocity Bu-So might hearts be strengthened, clubs be quickened, and American literature be enriched." While we may not all agree with Mrs. Thompson regarding the benefit to be obtained by so doing, we will all recognize the fact that a willingness to give of ourselves, might help many people to get information from those of us who may have better opportunities.

In the regular work of the Bureau 94 letters have been received, and 92 written, besides responding to 73 calls for papers, two for catalogs, and 18 requests for calendars to be used by program committees. It is evident that this is found to be a useful part of the Bureau, for clubs which borrowed calendars last year have come again this. If clubs which have had successful meetings on Education, Forestry, Civic Improvement, Household Economics, Arts and Crafts, and Health would send programs to the Bureau, giving a detailed account of the meeting, and study references, it would sometimes be of great help to other clubs wishing to take up these subjects who are uncertain what lines to follow with profit to themselves.

Some of the most important papers which were becoming badly worn have been rewritten, large envelopes properly labeled have been provided to hold each paper; all new papers have been properly classified and listed and the Bureau put in as good condition as possible for my successor. Begging you to send her all the new papers you can to increase its worth, this report is respectfully submitted.

GERTRUDE PEARSON ATWOOD, Chairman.

# Report of Woman's National Rivers and Harbors Congress

Madam President and Members:-

With the complex conditions, resulting from cause and effect—which confront us on every hand, it is not surprising that woman's sphere is all the time broadening t.nd her energy directed along lines of constructive service.

Since water is essential to life, there is no awakening more vital to the health of the community, than the one to prevent the pollution of the waters of the nation.

When the country was first settled, there was nothing to contaminate our rivers and lakes, but, with the advent of civilization, our streets and harbors have paid the penalty which humanization imposes when there is an absence of sanitary care. In large centers of population, this pollution of streams takes on a more serious appearance than in rural communities. Because, deluted sewage never added anything, to make our drinking water more healthful.

To be sure, municipal officials are treating their city water by chemical process, to render it safe, from a bacteriological standpoint. However, objections are being made by many who think "the water may be called safe, but can we say fit to drink?" We are told to avoid alum in baking powder, yet people must drink water with alum and other chemicals, in solution, because the authorities have placed it there.

Dr. M. E. Pennington, Chief of the Food Research Laboratory, U. S. Bureau of Chemistry, deplores the fact, "that we have permitted factories to discharge poisonous chemicals into the streams, which are destroying our fish. While Dr. H. R. Gaylord, Director of the N. Y. State Institute, for the study of Malignant Diseases, points out, "that not only do germs of typhoid lurk in polluted streams, but, the fish of such streams are infected, with goitre and cancer." Along our coasts, the beds of oysters and clams are, in a similar way, charged with various sorts of disease germs, which are carried to the consumer.

Because the pollution of rivers and coasts is general all over our nation, the Woman's National Rivers and Harbors Congress, in Convention at Washington, D. C., in December, 1910, went on record by strongly endorsing a memorial to Congress, providing for the non-pollution of streams. The outcome of the memorial was the Watkins bill. This measure has received the endorsement of the Conservation Association, General Federation of Women's Clubs, and the National Housewives, also favor it.

As many of our members are club women and the organization is affiliated with the General Federation, it was in order for us to come together, at the twelfth biennial, held in June, in Chicago.

The Illinois division maintained headquarters at Congress hotel. The activities of the congress were in line with the general nature of the work, to arouse interest in behalf of the Watkins Bill, and to show the advantage of water shipment of goods, over transportation by rail, when waterways are at hand. Chicago was an ideal place and furnished a concrete example of waterway service, with the tonnage of the Great Lakes, pouring its enormous offering, into the commercial life of the city. A large saving on the net price on articles moved and a help in lowering the cost of living.

Now that we are beginning to feel the need of conserving our natural resources, waterways should receive the attention which is their due.

Among the social events provided for us at the biennial, by the people of Illinois, was the Sunrise Breakfast in the refactory in Garfield Park, and an auto ride through the park system of the city. Another event was

the day trip down the Diainage Canal, on the government boat provided through the courtesy of the officials of the Sanitary District. Fifty women responded to the call which carried a limit, and everyone was very grateful for an opportunity of sailing on the canal and seeing the results of the engineering feat accomplished, whereby the Chicago river was turned from its course, and now flows south, joining its waters with those of the Mississippi. The canal is some 32 miles long. At Lockport, its terminal, is located locks, by which boats may continue down stream, and the electric lighting plant, which generates power, from the falls over which this waste water passes, furnishing the entire voltage needed to light the city of Chicago. A day well spent whether connected with river and harbor interests or no.

We are looking forward to still greater service, when in December, we come together in Washington, D. C., to compare notes and formulate new plans. Everyone connected with the Federation has a cordial invitation to join us.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH WILLARD STROUT,

President Woman's Nat'l R. and H. Congress.

### Report of the Civics Department

Madam President, Members of The Maine Federation of Women's Clubs:—

The fact that an organization called, as our constitution tells us, "to bring together the Women's Literary and Educational Clubs of the state for mutual benefit," has a Civic Department shows we are on the right track. Neither should there be any scorn for the object for which we were first called, for it is exceedingly doubtful if any other beginning than that of mutual improvement would have resulted in such noble aims as those included in civic work.

The fact that the program for our Twenty-second Annual includes a civic conference shows that there are those among us who realize that no department of this organization is so far reaching in its aims and in its results as this of civic interests. In this Twentieth Century there can be no "mutual improvement" that does not include civic betterment, for this is mutual improvement. "We rise or fall together" and we must consider our part in this work for better conditions, of which we hear so much.

There are several encouraging features connected with the work of this department for the past year, the first being that more women are today "thinking on these things" than were even at our last annual meeting and when a body of high minded women are seriously and honestly thinking on vital questions, we have a right to expect that there will soon be the activity among them that will lead to the betterment desired. Is there—can there be—any more vital questions than those connected with the welfare of the family. Infant mortality, the right each

child has to life, the housing problem which is a part of the problem of how to make, how to carry on and how to keep a real home. Motherhood, the needs and rights of the mother in the home and in the labor world, mothers' pensions and numerous questions pertaining to women; then the father and his physical and moral health both before and after life has been dignified with fatherhood, occupational diseases, employes, liabilities, and so on, for this department includes everything that pertains to every man, woman and child. It means physical health and moral health as well and nothing will make more for physical health than moral surroundings. This department stands for clean streets but it stands for clean homes as well; it declares for good roads but it does not stop there.

It is the calling of each club in this organization to some of these vital questions that we report as the work of this committee. The Poster campaign, as carried on in Massachusetts for temperance has received considerable notice from this committee, posters have been sent to several clubs, loaned to others, at least one town billed with them, posters having been bought for this purpose,-but not bought with Federation money. Several Sunday schools have seen these posters through the activities of women's clubs in this direction. The worth of moral instruction in the public schools has also been mentioned. Some clubs will recall that reference has also been made to Dean's or something of this order as has been appoint-The first of these two lines of ed in the Chicago school. work are now endorsed by the General Federation of Women's Clubs and we are urged to work along these lines this year; therefore, it must be very gratifying to you all to think that Maine saw the worth of these branches of civic work before this endorsement. The deans for schools, it seems to me, have virtually been endorsed by our State Superintendent of Schools when in his address he urges the need of some supervision for the noon hour. The last word of Miss Zona Gale as Chairman of the Civic Department of the General Federation was for the poster campaign and the moral instruction in the public schools urging the use of the public school buildings for social centers.

You will at once say these are old subjects mentioned as civic work for the past year but, my friends, the need of work for betterment in these lines is still evident.

The question under discussion for this conference is "Women's part in the work for civic betterment"—the question facing you and me is our part, the work for your club and mine towards this betterment.

This Federation of ours has passed its twenty-first birthday. It is no longer a child and must not be childish in its affairs. A glance at the different departments, as listed, shows we have undertaken great things but we shall not live up to our years, we shall not "put away childish things" if we allow any of these departments to be simply figure heads.

The subjects included under a civic department are of vital importance to every woman and no one or two, no five or six can make this department a success. It is your department and needs the earnest, honest, enthusiastic support of the majority of the women of this Federation if it is to accomplish what it should. If the call to service for civic betterment has really been heard it is "the sound of a trumpet that shall never call retreat."

We women have been reminded that we should have a part of the Develop Maine Movement; if we would add to Maine's business activities and make our state attractive to out of the state business interests, how can we do this more effectively than by showing so plain "who runs may read" that we are a people who wisely make our laws and conscientiously work for their enforcement, can we women help in this? If we would add to Maine's attractiveness as a summer resort, how better than with good roads, neat and well kept towns and cities, and all this implies, have women a part in this? If we would add to Maine's strength as an educational center for summer and winter camps for the young of other states to seek both

knowledge and amusements what would do this better than care for our own young people, active for proper drainage, pure water and equally as active for a moral atmosphere—always aware that immoral sections spread disease more deadly than those from any other source are we women willing to do this?

I understand, as do you, that it is not enough to use posters for a few months. It is not enough to trust to our teachers, even the best, for the moral instruction of our children; there must be the precept and example of the parents, of the citizens—are you and I ready to do our part of the work necessary in these lines?

As sad as it is to confess it, there was never any work to which a quotation from the poet Browning was more applicable than to this civic work for of a truth "so free we seem, yet fettered fast we are," for not yet does dear old Maine fully realize the danger from unenforced laws, not yet do property holders, even women property holders, realize the poor financial policy of leasing buildings for immoral purposes. Still today many of our towns and cities are indifferent to their responsibilities to the young in the care of their amusements, and of their surroundings.

Because I have carefully considered the needs and the difficulties in the work branching from civic activity, I am firm in my conviction that our best work will be along preventive lines, prevent the existence of undesirable conditions by education, by educating ourselves, our neighbors and the general public by helping them to realize the conditions, and the needs; then all together find the way to the betterment desired.

One member of the civic committee during the past year wrote that her "city was not ready for civic activities"—there are other sections in Maine in the same condition, and to the best of my judgment it is our duty to make them ready. Constructive work, this, but in order to accomplish it we must put our shoulder to the wheel courageously and it takes more courage than you will believe unless you have had experience. If you doubt me,

ask a few women in a certain place who had the forming of a civic club well under way when some of the more timid were frightened by politicians and the work fell through, because there is a fatal contagion in timidity.

The truth of the words of Abraham Lincoln that, "This government could not long endure half slave and half free" was long ago conceded, but we need to arouse ourselves to the fact that there is slavery other than that of which Lincoln spoke, and that is, the slavery that comes to part of the people because of the indifference of the other part, the slavery of child labor, which comes from the greed of the employer, the slavery of immorality and intemperance from which so many innocent women and children suffer.

No Civic Department of any Women's Organization can long endure, neither should it endure unless it is alive to this slavery and willing by constructive effort to help wipe it out.

A Civic Department in The Federation of Women's Clubs means a consistent, unending effort towards civic betterment, which continually presses on to better things, anything less and it is a toy and a plaything. It is for you women to decide which it shall be, a toy and useless, or a strong body making for the betterment of every man, woman and child. Each year increases our responsibilities; are we meeting it effectively?

Let us this year work along definite lines, work with the temperance posters, for temperance education.

Work for a better understanding of conditions by holding meetings to discuss conditions in our own localities, not one meeting but many.

Work for more and better supervision of our school children remembering the teachers cannot make a success without our co-operation.

If those who are interested in developing Maine, if our law makers, if the officials of each town, city and county see that 6,000 women are earnestly seeking to know the conditions, the remedy for wrongs and zealous to do constructive civic work we shall see a business, a moral and a political advance in Maine that we have never seen before and we women will be the better prepared to meet each and every duty and obligation that confronts us whether it be in the home or in the more public work to which we are fast being called.

Respectfully submitted, for the Civic Committee,
By the Chairman,
GEORGIA PULSIFER PORTER.
(Mrs. C. B. Porter.)

### Report of the Library Commission

Madam President and Ladies of the Federation:

It has been the aim of the Library Commission of Maine to foster the Library interests in the State; to encourage the formation of libraries where none exist; to advise as to the best methods of establishing, organizing, and administering such libraries; to furnish through traveling libraries good reading to those communities which have no library facilities: to suggest legislation favorable to the best development of the public libraries; to inform communities of the possibilities of library service: to inspire librarians and trustees with a desire to make the library a vital force for good. These are some of the duties of the Library Commission. As we look back on the fifteen years of service we can see that some of these things have been accomplished, and some are still ahead of us. Maine is a large state in area, a conservative state, an economical state, so that we do not see large results as quickly as we could wish. There are still many communities without libraries, but we hope the time may not be far distant when there will not be a village or hamlet which will not boast a collection of books.

We need larger appropriations so that we may have a field agent or organizer who may go into these communities publishing the "glad tidings of good books," one who can ferret out the places where there is need of public interest being aroused in library extension, and when this interest is aroused, one who can organize and help the small, struggling library in its formative period. It is the wish of the Commission to ask the Legislature for funds to carry on this work, and if the Club women of Maine will co-operate with the Commission in bringing

this matter before the coming Legislature they will be working for one of the vital forces which will tend to render the service of the Commission effective and to permit of expansion along many useful lines. It means a campaign of education.

Instead of the usual summer Library Class the Commission thought it best to make a change this year, hoping to reach a larger number of library workers. Consequently we held five library institutes in October. registration of those interested in library work were as follows: Biddeford, 20: Auburn, 20: Waterville, 15; Dover, 13: Bangor, 19. In every group there were several librarians who had been working quite alone, and who were eager for every word of instruction and help. The librarians from the larger libraries were ready to help those from smaller ones, and assist Mrs. Belle Holcomb Johnson, the instructor, to make the sessions interesting and helpful. Among those in attendance were five librarians who had attended the summer school classes which we have held previously. They reported new work undertaken as the result of the summer school instruction.

The demand for traveling libraries increases each year, but we would be glad if our club women would let us know of communities where a traveling library is needed. We often have funds to send such a library into a rural district, and would be glad to send where it is actually needed and will accomplish the desired result. We have to thank the Federation for the gift of money sent by your Treasurer a few days ago to send a traveling library where books would be a blessing. We have special libraries on England, Russia, China, Japan, India, France, Africa, Spain, State of Maine, American History, Teachcrs, Agriculture, Art, and eleven juvenile libraries. We have sent out this year special libraries on England, Ireland, India, Rome and Greece, South America, and Mexico, State of Maine, American History, Home Economics, and Teachers' Libraries.

We are working toward better co-operation of school and library in the State, and for this purpose, held our State Library meeting in Portland with the State Teachers' Association this year. We are hoping to obtain permission through the coming Legislature, to have State Superintendent Smith affiliated with the work of the Commission. There surely should be a oneness of purpose in the work of the school and the library. As someone has stated truly, "The library is not a collection of books, neither is a collection of books a library. It is organized, conscious of its power to serve. It is a missionary of ideas, a teacher of ideals."

Respectfully submitted,
KATE C. ESTABROOKE.



Designed by Mrs. John Howard Hill Portland, Maine.

### Report of the Scholarship Fund Committee

Portland, Maine, Sept. 22, 1914.

Madam President and Members of the Federation:-

The year just closing has been a successful one for, the Scholarship Fund work. We have given a scholarship to Miss Mildred Ryder for her Senior year at Bates College, and she is now teaching in a rural school, where one of our own Federation workers is Superintendent.

Miss Diana Wall, a graduate of Bates, has taught for us the past year and I will quote from her report of her work:

"Last Fall I started with a school of 28 pupils, which varied from 25 to 33 during the year, children from hard working, honest parents and children from slovenly, ignorant and neglected ones.

"I started in the first day with a singing lesson. This was entirely new to them, but all were delighted. I soon found that this pleased and interested the parents, so we kept it up throughout the year. They learned all the old home songs, and many new ones which they picked up easily.

"I went on to the play-ground with them and taught them new games and tried to instill a policy of fairness which must hold good on the play-ground as well as in the schoolroom.

"At Thanksgiving time we had a little programme to which all the parents and friends were invited. The children spoke and sang very gladly and well.

"The next term opened with a good deal of interest and enthusiasm on the part of all. They seemed to know that we meant business and we had become better acquainted and better friends.

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"At Christmastime we spent a good deal of time and effort fixing up the Christmas tree in the schoolroom with the Christmas presents that the clubs sent. The snow was piled high and sleighs could scarcely get through, but nearly every child was present. I shall never forget that wonderful tree and the joys it brought to those eager faces, some of whom would see no other presents. Three little children who had come about two miles had never seen a Christmas tree before.

"That evening the children took part in a concert at the Church and so ended a Christmas which was an event in their lives.

"All the children take their dinners, no matter how near they may live, so I brought mine also.

"I tried to start a fancy work or plain sewing club among the girls, but soon decided that in their brief morning they needed the time to work off their suppressed mischief out of doors.

"There was a Bates graduate in the neighborhood, so together we started a sewing club among the ladies. All who wished might belong. We met at the different houses and this afforded a community interest which extended through the shut-in winter term.

"The Travelling library came just as I was leaving for the nine weeks' Spring vacation, and a good percentage of the parents took advantage of it during their leisure moments. Farmers' wives are surely the busiest women in the world, but I found in every instance that they were very interested to talk with me about their children, and eager for them to advance.

"The Spring term found the children eager for school again. Friday afternoons I would read to them from 'Uncle Tom's Cabin,' or some equally good book until I saw that they were interested enough to take up the reading for themselves.

"During May and June the hanging of May baskets and June boxes became popular and they would come to my boarding place at least once a week to hang one, and then spend the evening. I encouraged them to do so as I know that evening entertainment is very scarce in the community.

"I helped in the Church work all that I could by playing the organ, helping in the singing, substituting for the Superintendent if he chanced to be absent, or teaching a class if necessary. We also started a Christian Endeavor.

"I never missed a Sunday during the year, rain or shine, and so encouraged the children by my enthusiasm.

"We had one picnic, the Sunday School and day school combined, taking the children off to a pond at Aichmond Corner, where they spent a never-to-be-forgotten day.

"The last day we had a little programme and ice cream and cake. The children said good-bye and I began to realize that it had been a delightful year to me."

I hope that some club will wish to send Christmas presents to our new Federation school, and I will be glad to furnish the address to any desiring it.

Respectfully submitted,

EDNA P. FLAGG, Chairman.

FUND.
Cash in bank Sept. 24th, 1913\$263.49
Receipts from contributions and dividends 150.26
EXPENDITURES.
Scholarship teacher\$100.00
Travelling library 2.50
Balance in bank Sept. 18th, 1914
Respectfully submitted,
ROSETTA C. WHITE, Treasurer.
CONTRIBUTIONS TO FUND.
Sept. 29th, '13-Portland W. L. U., \$25.00.
Nov. 18th, '13—Pierian Club, Presque Isle, \$10.
Dec. 6th, '13-D. L. S. Club, Portland, \$2.00.
Jan. 7th, '14—The Travellers Club, Portland, \$5.00.
Feb. 7th, '14—Mrs. Geo. C. Frye, \$10.00.
Mar. 23th, '14—Mt. Desert Shakespeare, Lewiston,
\$2.00.
Mar. 24th, '14—Shakespeare Club, Rockland, \$2.00.
Apr. 7th, '14—Houlton Fact and Fiction Club, \$5.00.
Apr. 10th, '14—Gardiner Current Events Club, \$5.00.
Apr. 16th, '14-Mechanic Falls Study Club, \$2.00.
Apr. 16th, '14—Rumford Searchlight Club, \$5.00.

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Apr. 16th, '14-Pierian Club, Presque Isle, \$5.00.

Apr. 24th, '14-Waterville Woman's Club, \$10.50. Apr. 24th, '14-Androscoggin Co. W. L. U., \$15.00.

Apr. 25th, '14-Skowhegan Woman's Club, \$5.00.

Apr. 25th, '14-Twentieth Century' Club, Rockport, \$3.00.

May 12th, '14-Houlton Woman's Club, \$10.00.

May 12th, '14-Bangor Nineteenth Century Club, \$5.00

June 20th, '14-Current Events Club, Portland in memory of Mrs. L. A. Stevens, \$15.00.

# Report of Literature and Art Committee

Madam President and Ladies:

The earnest wish of your chairman to bring to this State meeting an exhibit of beautiful pictures has bloomed into the flower of realization.

We have as a feature of our convention a representative State of Maine exhibit by Maine's representative artist, John Calvin Stevens of Portland. Like all great and good pictures in the art of all times these canvasses of Mr. Stevens are painted, not to display peculiar types of technique or unusual modes of thought, but to express the beauty of truth and truth of beauty. They make an appeal to the heart as well as the head; and because of the love of your Maine scenery which glows from these canvasses, because of their unerring technique, careful balance and artistic reserve, we may give ourselves freely to them in a spirit of pure enjoyment, knowing that from study of them we shall obtain an abiding culture which shall remain with us, among the many helpful influences of this Presque Isle Convention.

Your Chairman of Literature and Art would further offer the following suggestions which she hopes may be of practical value to club members who are following the lines of study for which her department stands:

1. Avoid the over-crowded program. This type of program is the result not only of having too many numbers on a given program, but arises from the discussion of too many unrelated, or only partially-related ideas at a single club meeting. If you have in mind several phases of the same subject and fear to over-crowd your program, select the strongest phase and let that be the leading or central idea. This strong, central idea once es-

tablished, the less important phases will assume their proper proportions, or drop away altogether, almost without one's realization, and a unified, and consequently strong program is the result.

- 2. In studying either literature or art it is most essential in order to secure the greatest benefit from that study, that the club or the individual club woman study from the inner to the outer. In other words: seek the meaning of the poem, prose or picture, first of all. Then carry that significance out into the expression by noting the selection of words, the beauties of diction, the exquisite coloring, the technique, as the case may be. Learn of the man from his works first of all. Then biography will fall naturally into its right relation and will be the handmaid of study, not the master.
- 3. When preparing club papers, first of all write what interests you most of all about your subject. What interests you, you can make interesting to others, because you will put so much of yourself into it. And the more you study into your subject the more you will find that which is interesting to you. Your paper will be prepared before you know it; and because you have writ ten it from the standpoint of personal interest, it will be vivid, will catch and hold the attention of your hearers and will bear the marks of originality.

In conclusion your chairman would say that she has prepared three courses of study, copies of which she will be very glad to send to any clubs applying for them. The subjects are:

The Influence of France in Modern Art. Beacon Lights in American Art. The Development of the English Novel.

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL G. FOSTER,

Chairman Literature and Art Department.

# Report of the Historian

Dear Madam President:

The material thus far collected for the Maine Federation's Documentary History embraces: The Year Books from 1894 to 1915.

President's Letters: December, 1901; September, 1908; January, 1909; April, 1909; August, 1909, and January, 1914.

Programs: January, 1895; September, 1898; October, 1899; January, 1901; October, 1901; October, 1903; October, 1906; January, 1907; October, 1907; October, 1908; September, 1909, and January, 1914.

Reciprocity Committee's Booklets: List of Manuscripts, 1898-9; Lecture Directory, 1902; Manuscripts and Lecture Directory with Supplement, 1904; Manuscripts, 1910.

Educational Committee's Circulars: 1893-4, 1894-5, 1905-6 with letter, 1906-7, undated, but either for 1909 or 1910, Traveling Library circulars, 1897.

Nominating Committee: Amendment, 1899. List of Candidates, 1905, 1906, 1907, with referendum and letter, 1909-1910, and 1913-14.

Arts and Crafts: Letter, January, 1907. Literary and Art: Letter, March, 1910.

Finance (temporary): Letter, December, 1901.

Respectfully submitted,
LUCIA H. CONNOR, Historian.

# Report of Department of Club Extension

Madam President and Members of the Maine State Federation of Women's Clubs:

The committee on Club Extension is pleased to report that seven new clubs have applied for membership into the Federation during the current year, bringing a substantial gain in membership. Early in the year for reasons which seemed good to the Executive Board it was decided best to defer for a time an active campaign of this department, and so the chairman has not followed the splendid example of her predecessor. For that reason, although a few ladies were invited to serve on the committee, no meetings of the department have been held, nor organization of the committee taken place.

Although the number of new clubs is not large the work of Club Extension has been observed, as the new-comers range from Kittery on the far West to Calais in the East, truly an extension of club lines. The chairman sent out 79 letters during the year, to which 35 replies were received. Clubs which have been invited to join and have not yet accepted express the kindliest feelings for the Federation, and some of them are considering the matter of joining this coming year.

The Clubs to which the Federation has granted admission are:

Friday Club, Southwest Harbor. Research Club, Limerick. Advance Club, Dixfield. Riverside Reading Club, Kittery. Excelsior Literary Club, Portland. Schumann Club, Bangor. Maine State Nurses' Association. The Lincoln Club, Calais.

Note.—The Woman's Club of Mars Hill was admitted at the annual meeting; the Shakespeare Club of Cherryfield more recently.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE A. WING.

# Report of the Publicity Committee

Madam President and Members of the Maine State Federation of Women's Clubs:

Since the annual meeting in Lewiston in 1913, three hundred and nineteen letters have been sent by the Publicity Committee to the newspapers of the State. This means that all the daily newspapers of Maine have received items of Federation interest on an average of every two weeks during the vear. Almost without exception all material offered has been published in full. This proves that the press of Maine stands ready to cooperate with the club women. They may not go after Federation news, but will publish what is submitted.

The mid-winter meeting in Augusta was widely advertised and advance reports, held for release on the day of the session, were in the office of every daily in the State before the opening of the meeting. This was done only by the most cordial co-operation of the women taking the program. They were asked for advance abstracts and they sent them cheerfully and promptly.

I think I am right in saying that the Chicago Biennial was given wider publicity in Maine than in any State in the Union except Illinois and credit for this is due the finely organized press committee of the General Federation. Reports from its chairman were simply passed on by the Maine publicity chairman, and the newspapers were good enough to use these reports, though they concerned a conference many miles distant.

The publicity committee should be of larger service to the department chairman. Through this channel, if they chose, they might get valuable information concerning their work before the people of the State. In only two instances, the past year, have departments used this committee.

Because I have been away from home the past week, I cannot give definite facts concerning the response for requests for reports, etc., for this annual, but I am confident that the women have lived up to the record of the past year or more and have mailed their abstracts to Lewiston.

I cannot close without saving a word in appreciation of the ready co-operation of my own newspaper, the Lewiston Journal, which has allowed me the privilege of having proofs and as many as I chose struck off at any time, though often it has been an inconvenience in the composing room. This opportunity of using proof sheets instead of making duplicate copies for ten or a dozen papers has greatly lessened the work.

To all the Federation friends, who have so kindly and readily assisted in the work of the publicity committee, the chairman is sincerely grateful.

· Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE L. NYE,

Chairman of the Publicity Committee.

# Report of the State Editor General Federation Magazine

Madam President and Club Friends:

The past year, being the first in the Maine Federation to have a State Editor of the General Federation Magazine, has proved busy and somewhat difficult. Appeals have been made to state officials and every club member for contributions of public interest for the Magazine. Many promised; few have responded.

However, although contending with the handicaps of editorial inexperience and lack of full co-operation, yet scarcely a number has been issued in which Maine items have not appeared, often several articles in one issue. The total has been over thirty articles, over 350 inches of space; more than the average by states.

Please send typewritten items of club activities of vital and general interest to your editor at all times.

Mrs. Pennybacker contributes monthly to this Magazine, which received unanimous endorsement as the only official organ of the General Federation at the Chicago Biennial, and also the compliment of removal of time limit for endorsement. Its subscription price is only one dollar per year, and it promises a constantly growing and better publication. There are now in Maine forty-nine paid-up subscriptions.

Should it not be a matter of local pride that every Maine club woman should contribute important news and also read its pages to keep in touch with the Nation's Federation news? Among standard publications in general it now enjoys a superior status, which makes its appeal to us irresistible. It constitutes a commanding factor in the all-around life of the twentieth-century

woman, and its files become more and more indispensable with the passage of time in club history.

Wherever faith is needed, wherever hard work is needed, wherever clear intelligence is needed, there is a place for the regular visits of your Magazine.

By a closer touch with it, we may surely come to discover the divine and ever-growing purpose in the Great Heart for all women.

I thank you for the honor and the pleasure of serving you as your first Maine State Editor.

Respectfully submitted,
MARY PERRY RICH,

# **Abstract of Address of Payson Smith**

Much attention is being paid just now to the country school and its needs. This interest in the progress of rural schools has come none too early. Your Federation, I learn, is anxious to aid through both local and State branches in this forward movement for rural education. The act of the Maine Federation in establishing scholarships for those who will teach in rural schools is an indication that Maine Women's Clubs are keenly alive to their opportunities.

The success of the scholarship plan is assured and your organization stands ready to carry on in other ways a helpful educational program.

If you ask me what is most needed just now to assist the country schools in Maine, I should say it is a practical and rational program of betterment based on needs that exist and looking to accomplishments that are possible. Such a program of improvement cannot be projected on a community from the outside. It must grow chiefly out of the interest of the people who are in the field and know the situation.

It is erroneous to believe that country schools as a whole are more inefficient than city schools. There are good, bad and indifferent schools in the country, and there are those of the same classes in the town and city. Schools, like other institutions, reflect fairly accurately the average of the interest of the community that sustains them.

But speaking generally I cannot help feeling that rural education has been retarded because of the impossible theories that have been put forth relative to it. For example one of the great journals of the country is now carrying on a campaign for the building of "teacherages," or dwellings for teachers in connection with country schools. I know this campaign has the sanction of the United States Commissioner of Education and that it is being promoted by a branch of your Federation. It is quite probable that in a limited number of cases it is both practicable and desirable to have these dwellings built, but any one who is at all familiar with the every-day needs of the twenty-five hundred country schools of Maine, and these are much the same in every state, cannot help regretting that energy that ought to go into the provision of the elemental needs of these schools should be directed to an object so little likely of general accomplishment.

Again, take the matter of school consolidation. For many communities this is the best way to make rural education more efficient. Many towns ought to consider it very seriously and frequent attention should be called to its advantages. On the other hand, this state, like every other northern state, must frankly recognize that the one-room country school has a permanent and important place in the school system. Towns should not allow their one-room school buildings to fall into neglect and go without the improvements they need here and now in order to await that far-off day of total school consolidation. I repeat therefore that which is most needed just now is that each town should undertake a program of rural school betterment which is rational and possible of fairly immediate accomplishment. My notion of such a program would be somewhat like this:-

- 1. For every community a school building that is properly heated, lighted and ventilated and furnished with decent and modern furniture, a school room made attractive and homelike by cleanliness, suitable furnishings and a few good pictures.
  - 2. A school yard that is large enough for play-

grounds, kept free of rocks, litter and uncleanliness, with spaces for school gardens, shrubs and trees.

- 3. Outbuildings properly constructed, made clean, and kept so by daily inspection.
- 4. A school equipment of text books, maps, globes, reference books and a school library for the use of the pupils and the community. Every town that has a public library should make a sub-station of each rural school.
- 5. A teacher who has not only "been through" the schools but has herself some training in the right methods of teaching. Children should be under the supervision of this teacher or other responsible adult all the time they are required to be at school, including the noon hour.
- 6. A course of study that offers the fundamentals of a common school education, and that gives large recognition to the fact that boys and girls learn more through their activities than through their study of the printed page. This means opportunity for hand work through manual training and the principles of homemaking. In this course the attention paid to instruction in civics or the principles of good citizenship should be increased many times over that now accorded.

This is the program for a more efficient rural educational system. Many of its features apply to other schools as well. The accomplishment of such a program is not a matter of legislation on which we incline to rely too much; it is not a matter altogether of the power of school authorities which is limited by the support of the people. To accomplish these steps in school progress it is necessary to have the intelligent support of the people. Your Federation in city and country can do much in conjunction with other organizations to create the local sentiment and interest on which permanent progress can alone be built.

A second point in which you can render a real service to education is in emphasizing whenever you can the fact that the school system should be required to carry only its own share of the social burden. I recognize that the public school system is a great instrument owned and controlled by the public and that it ought to be employed in every legitimate way for the betterment of society. There is, however, an unfortunate tendency just now to attempt to burden the public school with tasks it cannot discharge well.

Whenever a new reform, whether it be of promoting peace, or stopping disease, or cleaning highways, is suggested, the public schools are asked to devote "special days" to its advancement, or otherwise teach its principles. One does not quarrel with these reforms when he says it is the business of the public school to get boys and girls ready their own time and generation to be thinking, resourceful men and women, rather than to act as the exponent of any particular or special propaganda. The school is only one of several educational agencies. It cannot be asked to do work that belongs to the church, or that which belongs to the home, or that which belongs to any other institution, without loss and disaster both to the institution that is overburdened and to the one that tries to escape responsibility that belongs properly to it.

# In Memoriam

## ANDROSCOGGIN CO.

- "Woman's Literary Union"—Mrs. Henry Sabine BANGOR
- "Athene Club"—Mrs. Amanda J. Seavey, Miss Alice Bucknam
- "Nineteenth Century Club"-Mrs. J. H. Burgess
- "Norumbega Club"-Mrs. Etta Thissell
- "Home Culture Club"-Mrs. Horace Gilman
- "Teachers Club"—Miss Laura Sargent, Miss Alice Bucknam

## BELFAST

- "Travellers' Club"—Mrs. A. A. Small
  - BIDDEFORD
- "The Wayfayers"—Mrs. Almon H. Hill

### BINGHAM

- "Century Club"—Mrs. Lillian J. Washburn
  - CARIBOU
- "Social Club"—Mrs. Minnie E. Riley
  CUMBERLAND MILLS
- "Ammencongin Club"—Mrs. Harriet B. Warren
  DEXTER
- "Woman's Literary Club"—Mrs. Annie F. Curtis
  FORT FAIRFIELD
- "Philomathian Club"-Mrs. Elizabeth M. Tibbets

## HOULTON

"Ricker Travel Class"-Miss Hortense Millar

### KENNEBUNK

"Webhannet Club"-Miss Eliza Burke

### MACHIAS

"Ursula Penniman Club"—Mrs. J. U. Chandler, Mrs. E. C. Donworth

## MECHANIC FALLS

"Study Club"-Mrs. R. T. Lane

## LEWISTON AND AUBURN

"History Club"-Mrs, Ellen Merrill

"Murray Club"—Mrs. E. M. Blanchard, Mrs. C. Y. Newman, Mrs. Mary A. Sears, Miss Melissa J. Ham

### LEWISTON

"Reading Circle"—Mrs. S. B. Hayes, Mrs. C. Y. Newman, Mrs. Ellen B. Scruton, Mrs. A. H. Phaneuf

"Sorosis Club"—Mrs. L. B. Hayes of Auburn, Mrs. S. B. Hayes

### NEWCASTLE AND DAMARISCOTTA

"Woman's Club"-Mrs. Ella A. Flagg

### NORRIDGEWOCK

"Woman's Improvement Society"—Mrs. Mary Walton, Mrs. Hannah Pepper, Mrs. Mary T. Holt

### NORWAY

"Browning Reading Club"-Mrs. Margaret Libby

## NORWAY LAKE

"Woman's Club"—Mrs. Ellen H. Crockett, Mrs. Annie Bennett

### OLDTOWN

"Neeburban Club"—Mrs. Katherine Dickey

## PITTSFIELD

"Tuesday Club"—Miss Grace E. Libby

### PORTLAND

- "Woman's Literary Union"—Mrs. T. J. Murphy, Mrs. Elva Lock, Mrs. F. A.Kimball
- "A. B. C." Class-Mrs. Frederick A. Kimball

## PRESQUE ISLE

"Pierian Club"—Mrs. Bernard Thompson, Mrs. G. A. Parsons

## ROCKLAND

"Methebesec Club"-Mrs. Belle D. Cole

## RUMFORD CENTER

"C. V. L. C."-Mrs. Harriet D. Colby

#### SACO

"Educational and Industrial Union"—Mrs. Margaret Luques, Mrs. Belle Mitchell, Mrs. Ida D. Cochrane

### SANFORD

"Searchlight Club"-Mrs. Addie M. Brown

## WATERVILLE

"Woman's Club"—Miss Alvah A. Towne

### WESTBROOK

"Current Events Club"-Mrs. Louis L. Hills

## WILTON

"Tyngtown Club"-Mrs. Agnes Goodspeed

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE THOMPSON.

# Life Everlasting

Whoso standeth close to God, Whose standeth true, So that His all kindling light Shines forever through;-Whose liveth for the world, Serving, strong and true, While the boundless power of God Pours forever through. They whose work hath filled our hearts With courage, love and cheer, With words that teach ten thousand lives To bring earth's heaven near .-They are part of Human Life-Ours in heart and head, They are part of the Living God-They are never dead.

-Charlotte Gilman Perkins.

## Resolutions

Whereas, the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs desires the highest good of the home, the state, and the nation, Therefore, resolved

- 1. That we will endeavor to double our talents, whether they be one or ten.
- 2. That the children are ours by right of eminent domain.
- 3. That we will make child welfare the measuring stick of our work.
- 4. That woman, as queen of the home, should reign so graciously and wisely, that home will ever be a reservoir of love and moral force to each member of the family.
- 5. That the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs would publicly acknowledge the helpfulness of "Our men folks" in aiding us to realize Federation ideals.
- 6. That the school buildings and their surroundings shall be a special care of the Club women during this year.
- 7. That all schools in which the children remain during the noon hour should be supervised by the teacher.
- 8. That we endorse the national movement which would make each school a neighborhood center of social and literary improvement.
- 9. That we will continue the study of good government and its relation to woman suffrage.
- 10. That the rivers and lakes of Maine should be free from pollution and fit for drinking purposes for man and beast.
- 11. That we take just pride in the fact that Maine was the first state to hold aloft the torch of constitutional prohibition of the liquor traffic.

- 12. That we rejoice that today the star of constitutional prohibition of the liquor traffic rests over the Nation's Capitol.
- 13. That we endorse the poster campaign for temperance recommended by the Committee on Civics.
- 14. That we deplore the fact that in some parts of this Country food stuffs are worse than wasted by being converted into distilled and fermented liquors.
  - 15. That we favor a state reformatory for women.
- 16. That we favor working prisoners on roads and public works.
- 17. That we will gather facts relative to jail and prison conditions and lend our influence for an improved prison system in this state.
- 18. That we endorse the work of the Maine Anti-Tuberculosis Association.
- 19. That the Federation notes with approval the fact that the birthplace of Longfellow is to be preserved.
- 20. That we appreciate the untiring efforts of Representative Guernsey in behalf of the Mount Katahdin Reservation Bill.
  - 21. That we hereby express our love and sympathy for our sisters, the women of Europe, who are being called upon at this time to give their loved ones as a war sacrifice.
  - 22. That we rejoice in the presence at this meeting of Mrs. Pennybacker, the gracious and efficient President of the General Federation of Womens Clubs.
  - 23. That we express our thanks to the Pierian and Child Study Clubs, to the people of Presque Isle, to Miss Hale and the Young Peoples Chorus, to the Trinity Lodge of Masons for a pleasant evening reception, to the management of the Moving Picture Theatre, to Mr. Arthur Gould, manager of the electric railroad, and to all the newspapers, railroads and others who have in any way contributed to the success of the 22nd annual meeting of the Maine Federation of Womens Clubs.

Resolved: That an expression of the thanks and deep appreciation of the Federation be extended to Mr. John Calvin Stevens of Portland for his great kindness in lending a collection of his oil paintings for exhibition in connection with this convention.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GEORGE F. FRENCH MISS FANNY E. LORD MRS. JENNIE R. GOODALL

# Rules

- 1. In addressing the Chair, members shall state plainly the name and place of residence.
- 2. No member shall speak more than twice to the same question except by consent of the house.
- 3. In transacting business speakers shall be limited to three minutes, unless time is extended by the unanimous consent of the Body.
- 4. No motion shall be allowed as a question of privilege, except a motion relating to the rights and privileges of the Federation, or some member of the Federation.
- 5. The previous question shall be stated by the Chair as follows:—"It is moved and seconded that debate now cease."

The previous question shall be put to vote as follows:—"Those in favor of."

- 6. No delegate shall represent more than one club.
- 7. All main motions must be in writing and sent to the Recording Secretary.
- 8. A motion to reconsider a vote may be made at the same, or the next, business meeting after its passage or defeat, but no later.
- 9. Doors shall be closed during the reading of papers. Silence shall be preserved in all parts of the house.
- 10. Any resolution may be presented before the Federation, but must be referred to the Resolutions Committee before its final report.

# Important Notices

The work of the Federation requires promptness and businesslike methods in all departments. All correspondence should receive prompt and careful attention; answers should be concise and to the point. Much valuable literature is sent out by the Federation, asking for definite information. If each club would attend to such requests without delay, the work of the Federation would be greatly facilitated.

The Federation Bulletin is the official organ of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs. Publication office, Cannon Place, Troy, N. Y. Subscription price, \$1.00 per year.

Kindly notify the Chairman of the Department of Club Extension, Mrs. Henry Wing, Lewiston, of any and all unfederated clubs in your vicinity, that the benefits of federation may be presented to them.

A copy of this Year Book is sent to the President and Corresponding Secretary of the General Federation, the Bureau of Information of the General Federation, former State Presidents, Presidents of all other State Federations, State officers, members of the different Departments of Work, and the President and Secretary of each federated club in Maine. Extra copies may be had on application to the Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary A. Bradbury, Saco, Me. Price, twenty-five cents.

Officers and Chairmen of Departments should prepare a condensed report from the one read at the Annual Meeting, for publication in the Year Book, and this report should be typewritten.

Each District President is urged to acquaint herself with the clubs of her district, and to visit them as often as possible; to assist in organizing new clubs, and encourage clubs already organized to join the State Federation.

All federated clubs are urged to pay their dues to the Treasurer at the Annual Meeting. This is important.

Clubs are urged, so far as practicable, to duplicate the Departments of the Federation.

Club Presidents are requested to have all communications from the State and General Federations brought before their clubs, or their proper departments, in such a way as to to clearly and effectually emphasize the purpose of the communication.

Club officers are kindly requested to affix to all correspondence their full signature, street address, office in the club, name of club, and to indicate by the proper prefix whether married or unmarried. Clubwomen should learn the difference between a signature and an address, and use each in its proper place.

Each club is requested to send a copy of its program to the President and Corresponding Secretary of the State Federation, and to the Chairman of the Bureau of Reciprocity.

Copies of the Federation Song (words only) may be obtained from the Corresponding Secretary. Price, two cents per copy, or one cent, if fifty or more copies are purchased at the same time.

Clubs are urged to send as many representatives as possible to the State Annual and Midwinter meetings. Suggestions for the programs of the State meetings will be welcome.

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Each club member is a vital part of the Federation, and has to do with its success or failure.

## Constitution

## ARTICLE I

This organization shall be known as The Maine Federation of Women's Clubs.

### ARTICLE II

## Object

Its object shall be to bring together the several Women's Literary and Educational Clubs of the State for mutual benefit.

### ARTICLE III

## Membership

Section 1. Clubs desiring to join the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs should make application for membership to the Corresponding Secretary. The application of each club should be accompanied by a copy of its Constitution, showing that its prime object is educational and literary.

Section 2. Clubs should be admitted to membership by vote of the Board of Directors, a two-thirds vote of members present and voting being necessary for an election.

## ARTICLE IV

### Officers

Section 1. The general officers shall be a President, a First Vice President, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary and a Treasurer, who shall constitute the Executive Board to transact the business of the State Federation, subject to its direction, and make a full report at each annual meeting. A quorum shall consist of three members. Meetings of the Board shall be held at the call of the President.

Section 2. The ex-Presidents shall constitute an Advisory Board.

Section 3. The President of each club in membership shall be a Vice President of the Maine Federation.

Section 4. The Executive Board, the Advisory Board, the Vice Presidents and the Chairmen of Standing Committees shall constitute a Board of Directors, to consider and promote such measures as shall be for the interest of the State Federation. This Board shall meet at the call of the Executive Board, one-third constituting a quorum.

Section 5. At each annual meeting a committee of five shall be nominated from the floor to present a list of officers and members of Standing Committees for election at the succeeding annual meeting. This Nominating Committee shall notify its nominees, and in case of any refusals, shall supply their places.

The Committee shall send a copy of the list to the Secretary of each federated club, not later than March 25.

Vacancies occurring after the list is sent out shall be filled by the Nominating Committee, notice of the same being appended to the call of the annual meeting. These officers and committees shall be elected annually by printed ballot, prepared by the Nominating Committee, and shall hold offices until their successors are duly elected. A majority vote shall elect.

The President shall have power to appoint the Corresponding Secretary.

Section 6. No officer shall be eligible to the same office for more than two consecutive terms.

Section 7. The Treasurer's report shall be audited previous to the annual meeting by someone appointed by the Executive Board. The Treasurer's books shall close two weeks previous to the annual meetings. All clubs failing to pay dues at the end of the year, after due notice, shall be dropped from the list published in the Year Book.

Section 8. All vacancies occurring in the Executive Board in the interval between annual meetings shall be filled by the remaining members of the Board.

### ARTICLE V

## Meetings

- Section 1. The annual meetings shall be held in the autumn; time and place to be determined by the Executive Board.
- Section 2. The Executive Board together with a committee from the club with which the Maine Federation is invited to meet shall be authorized to arrange for the exercises of the annual meeting.
- Section 3. Each club belonging to the Maine Federation may be represented at the annual meeting by its Pseident and one delegate. Every club having fifty members or more may be represented by one additional delegate for every fifty members or majority fraction thereof.
- Section 4. Members of the clubs belonging to the Maine Federation may be present at the annual meeting and may take part in discussion, but shall not introduce motions or vote.
- Section 5. The Woman's Manual shall be authority for the conduct of all meetings. The voting power shall be vested in the Board of Directors and delegates.

### ARTICLE VI

#### Dues

The annual tax shall be two dollars for all clubs having a membership of twenty or less. For all clubs having a membership over twenty, the annual tax shall be ten cents per capita.

## ARTICLE VII

#### Amendments

This Constitution may be amended at any meeting of the State Federation by a two-thirds vote, notice of the proposed amendments having been appended to the call of the meeting. The By-laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any meeting.

## ARTICLE VIII

## Suspension of Rules

Any article of this Constitution and By-laws by unanimous consent may be suspended for not more than one meeting, except this Article, which shall not be suspended.

# **By-Laws**

## ARTICLE I

## Standing Committees

There shall be Standing Committees on Literature and Art, Education, Reciprocity, Arts and Crafts, Forestry, Legislation, Civics, Home Economics, et cetera.

## ARTICLE II

### Entertainment

Officers and guests of the Federation and Chairmen of Committees, or their appointees, shall be eligible to entertainment at the annual meeting.

# Program of the Twenty-Second Mid-Winter Meeting of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs, in the Penney Memorial Church, Augusta, Me., January 21, 1914

# By Courtesy of the Church Ladies and the Current Events Club

### MORNING-SESSION AT TEN O'CLOCK

Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott, President, presiding.

Guest of Honor, Mrs. George J. Clarke, President of The Canadian Club, St. Stephen, N. B.

Organ Voluntary,

Mrs. J. M. Robinson

Call to Order Invocation,

Rev. C. G. Mosher

Greetings,

Mrs. Helen Mason Tenney, President Current Events Club

Response,

Mrs. Henry A. Wing, Vice President Maine Federation Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott, President

Greetings,
Roll Call of Clubs.

Mrs. Frederick E. Moore,

Recording Secretary

Admission of New Clubs:

The Riverside Reading Club of Kittery

The Schumann Club of Bangor

Report of Treasurer

Invitation for Annual Meeting

Election of Delegates to the Biennial at Chicago, June 9, 1914

Suggestions by Chairmen of Standing Committees:

Arts and Crafts. Mrs. W. W. Dunn Mrs. W. B. Porter Civics. Mrs. J. Palmer Merrill Education. Mrs. Frank L. Powers Conservation, Mrs. Joseph M. Strout Legislation. Literature and Art, Miss Mabel G. Foster Mrs. Viola De Grys Music. Scholarship Fund, Mrs. Charles F. Flagg Bureau of Reciprocity. Mrs. William F. Atwood Mrs. Roval E. Gould Printing. Publicity, Miss Florence L. Nye Historian. Miss Lucia Connor General Federation Bulletin, Mrs. J. Frank Rich General Federation Secretary.

> Miss Elizabeth Pettengill Mrs. Stanley Plummer

Treasurer of the Maine State Endowment Fund Address—Home Economics,

Miss Cornelia Palmer, Chairman Followed by Discussion

Three Requests from Our National President,

Mrs. Pennybacker

- A more thorough understanding between rural and urban women.
- 2. A more sympathetic relationship between all classes of women in American life.
- 3. The introduction of our daughters into active club life.

#### Discussion

Endowment.

A Ray of Sunshine, Eugenics, Kindergarten Work, Tuberculosis Work, Mrs. H. B. Pulsifer Miss Gertrude L. McDonald Miss Nellie E. Brown Miss Elizabeth Marco

### AFTERNOON—SESSION AT TWO O'CLOCK

Reading of Minutes Address—"Heros and Heroines,"

Mrs. Martha Baker Dunn

Solo, Mrs. T. J. Southard

Address-"The Ideal in Art and Literature,"

Miss Mabel G. Foster

Report of Resolutions Committee

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CURRENT EVENTS CLUB.

## Hospitality Committee

Mrs. H. F. Thompson

Mrs. J. C. Roule Mrs. E. C .Carll

Mrs. R. H. Conant,
Miss Inez Hall

A complimentary luncheon was tendered the Executive Board of the Federation, the Past Presidents and Guest of Honor at the New Augusta House by the Current Events Club of Augusta.

The Ladies of the Church served luncheon in the vestry to delegates and visitors.

Nothing is so contagious as enthusiasm; it is the real allegory of the tale of Orpheus; it moves stones; it charms brutes. Enthusiasm is the genius of sincerity, and truth accomplishes no victories without it.—Bulwer.

# **DIRECTORY**

# **AUBURN**

## AUBURN ART CLUB.

•	ACDUMN AMI CECE	•
President, Mrs. W.	H. C. Allen,	13 Goff Street
Secretary, Mrs. Geo	o. E. Kinney,	108 Seventh Street
Treasurer, Mrs. A.	M. Peables,	240 Main Street
Members 42	Organized 1880	Federated 1890
Subject of Study:	Miscellaneous.	
7	FRIDAY CLUB	
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FRIDAT CLUB	
President, No President	
Secretary, Mrs. Eva T. Turgeon,	190 Gamage Avenue
Treasurer, Mrs. Mary Ryerson,	Lake Street
Members 20 Organized 1894	Federated 1914
Subject of Study: Bay View Course Scotland and Wales.	on England, Ireland

## ARAMAIC CLUB

President, Mrs. Nettie Maybury,	119 Winter Street
Secretary, Mrs. Nettie L. Verrill,	46 High Street
Treasurer, Mrs. Esther Ruggles,	182 Turner Street
Members 30 Organized 1896	Federated 1902
Subject of Study: Miscellaneous.	

## ART AND LITERATURE CLUB

President, Mrs. C. E. V	Williams, 104	High Street
Secretary, Mrs. A. Q. M		Elm Street
Treasurer, Mrs. N. S. C.	Coan, 338 C	Court Street
Members 30 Orga	anized 1890 Feder	ated 1892
Subject of Study: Fra	nce.	

## PARLOR CONGRESS CLUB.

President, Mrs. Sadie Boies,	61 School Street
Secretary, Mrs. M. R. McCallum,	9 James Street
Treasurer, Miss Helen Garcelon,	28 James Street
Members 15 Organized 1896	Federated
Subject of Study: Foreign Countries.	

### AUGUSTA

#### CURRENT: EVENTS CLUB

President, Mrs. Catherine C. Morrill, 6 Sewall Street
Secretary, Mrs. Frank Hewins, 29 Oak Street
Treasurer, Mrs. Wilbur T. Emerson, New Augusta House
Members 50 Organized 1892 Federated 1892
Subject of Study: Social Service.

#### AUGUSTA STUDY CLUB

President, Mrs. S. C. C. Ward, Secretary, Mrs. B. F. Newman, 41 So. Chestnut Street Treasurer, Mrs. G. A. Yeaton, R. F. D., No. 2 Members 25 Organized 1913 Federated 1913 Subject of Study: Miscellaneous and Birthday Anniversaries of Noted Men and Women.

## BANGOR

## ATHENE CLUB

President, Mrs. Charles H. Wood,
Secretary, Miss Ida J. Brown,
Treasurer, Mrs. Langdon S. Chilcott,
Members 175 Organized 1892
Subject of Study: Art and Current Events.

67 Court Street
53 Court Street
2 West Broadway
Federated 1892

#### BANGOR PEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

President, Mrs. Fanny E. Lord Secretary, Mrs. Harriet N. Mason Treasurer, Mrs. Ida M. Trickey

## HOME CULTURE CLUB

President, Mrs. H. G. Hamilton, 677 Hammond Street
Secretary, Mrs. W. A. Freese, 103 Pine Street
Treasurer, Mrs. Howard Buzzell, 324 Union Street
Members 50 Organized 1898 Federated 1899
Subject of Study: Bay View Course on South America.

NORUMBEGA CLUB

President, Mrs. George D. Harden, 102 Ohio Street Sccretary, Mrs. A. L. Blanchard, 48 Montgomery Street Treasurer, Mrs. Joseph Friend, 335 Center Street
Members 45 Organized 1892 Federated 1892
Subject of Study: History, Art and Literature of
Holland.

#### BANGOR TEACHERS' CLUB

President, Miss Adelaide L. Mansur, 15 Somerset Street Secretary, Miss Julia T. Brastow, 7 Fourth Street Place Treasurer, Miss Mabel A. Humphrey, 50 Leighton Street Members 100 Organized 1907 Federated 1911 Subject of Study: The Teacher.

### NINETEENTH CENTURY CLUB.

President, Winnifred L. Hubbard,
Secretary, Mrs. Leila P. Kingston,
Treasurer, Mrs. Ida Trickey,
Members 65 Organized 1895
Subject of Study: Latin America.

28 Prentiss Street
27 Prentiss Street
Federated 1896

## SCHUMANN CLUB

President, Mrs. Geo. Howard Larrabee, 131 Grant Street
Secretary, Miss Josephine Wiggin,
Treasurer, Miss Josephine Wiggin,
Members 42 Organized 1898
Subject of Study: Music.

Rearrabee, 131 Grant Street
38 Leighton Street
Federated 1914

## BAR HARBOR WOMAN'S LITERARY CLUB

President, Mrs. A. J. Babbidge,
Secretary, Mrs. J. M. Milliken,
Treasurer, Mrs. G. Ramond Joy,
Members 25 Organized 1902 Federated 1903
Subject of Study: Germany.

### WOMAN'S STUDY CLUB

President, Mrs. Annie Walls,
Secretary, Mrs. Georgia Brewer,
Treasurer, Mrs. Georgia Brewer,
Members 25 Organized 1911
Subject of Study: Italy—Her History and Art.

## BATH

#### FORTNIGHTLY CLUB

President, Mrs. John A. Morse,
Secretary, Mrs. Harry A. Walters,
Treasurer, Mrs. J. A. C. Sawyer, 1059
Members 150
Organized 1891
Subject of Study: Miscellaneous.

42 Summer Street
95 Union Street
Federated
Federated

#### BELFAST

## TRAVELLERS' CLUB

President, Mrs. Fred Waldo Brown,
Secretary, Mrs. George E. Brackett,
Treasurer, Mrs. George E. Brackett,
Members 18 Organized 1900
Subject of Study: British Isles.

Cedar Street
35 Spring Street
Federated 1907

## THE BELFAST WOMAN'S CLUB

President, Mrs. Amos Clement,
Secretary, Mrs. James C. Dunham,
Treasurer, Mrs. Lewis F. Gannon,
Members 100 Organized 1911
Subject of Study: Department Work.

6 John Street
12 Church Street
48 Congress Street
Federated 1913

### BIDDEFORD

#### THURSDAY CLUB

President, Mrs. Elizabeth N. Gould,
Secretary, Mrs. Maude Kendall,
Treasurer, Miss Jennie Meserve,
Members 82 Organized 1894
Subject of Study: America.

136 Alfred Street
90 Hill Street
176 Alfred Street
Federated 1894

#### THE WAYFARERS

President, Ella E. Small, 71 Graham Street
Secretary, Sarah A. Weymouth, 180 Alfred Street
Treasurer, Sarah A. Weymouth, 180 Alfred Street
Members 18 Organized 1912 Federated 1912
Subject of Study: Germany—Current Events.

## BINGHAM

### CENTURY CLUB

President, Mrs. W. B. Goodrich,
Secretary, Mrs. Walter E. Robinson,
Treasurer, Mrs. Belle P. Williams,
Members 48 Organized 1912 Federated 1913
Subject of Study: Miscellaneous.

### BOOTHBAY HARBOR

### MONDAY CLUB

President, Mrs. Fred B. Higgins,
Secretary, Mrs. Irving C. Kenniston,
Treasurer, Mrs. James Rogers,
Members 25 Organized 1895
Subject of Study: Africa and Australia.

Boothbay Harbor
Boothbay Harbor
Federated 1899

## BRIDGTON

## BRIDGTON LITERARY CLUB

President, Mrs. Leonard Berry,
Secretary, Mrs. Howard Jones,
Treasurer, Miss Clara Staples,
Members 24 Organized 1908 Federated 1911
Subject of Study: Miscellaneous.

## BUCKFIELD

### NEZINSCOT HISTORY CLUB

President, Mrs. Solon Purinton,

Secretary, Mrs. Bertrand Allen,

Treasurer, Mrs. Caroline Record,

Members 32

Organized 1897

Subject of Study: Our Own Country; Bay View Course.

### CALAIS

#### ST. CROIX VALLEY PARLIAMENTARY CLUB

President, Mrs. Jennie E. McAndrews, 45 North Street Secretary, Miss Anna Hughes, Milltown

Union Street Treasurer, Mrs. Charles Phinney, Members 20 Organized 1912 Federated 1913 Subject of Study: Parliamentary Usages.

#### LINCOLN CLUB

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Subject of Study	: Current Events and	Art.

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Subject of Study: Not decided.

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Norway Federated 1903

Subject of Study: The New History. The Arts.

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Subject for Study: American Art.

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Subject of Study: The Child.
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Subject of Study: Shakespeare Italian Art.

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#### SOUTH PARIS

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Treasurer, Miss Susan E. Frost,
Members 115 Organized 1912 Federated 1912
Subject of Study: Develop Maine.

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#### CURRENT EVENTS

President, Mrs. Lucretia Howe Flanders,

Stockton Springs
Secretary, Mrs. Alice M. Hichborn,
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Members 25 Organized 1895
Subject of Study: Current Events and Miscellaneous.

#### THOMASTON

#### THOMASTON ART CLUB

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Members 17 Organized 1893
Subject of Study. Facility History

Subject of Study: English History.

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Secretary, Mrs. S. F. Winslow, Waldoboro
Treasurer, Mrs. M. C. Sanborn, Waldoboro
Members 13 Organized 1890 Federated 1907
Subject of Study: The British Poets.

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President, Mrs. Merton W. Bessey
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Members 147
Organized 1893
Federated 1895

#### WAYNE

Subject of Study: Department Club.

#### WAYNE FRIDAY CLUB

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Secretary, Miss Nell C. Turner, Wayne
Treasurer, Miss Nell C. Turner, Wayne
Members 12 Organized 1892 Federated 1912
Subject of Study: Home Economics.

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#### AMMONCONGIN LITERARY CLUB

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Members 50 Organized 1892 Federated 1893 Subject of Study: China; Current Topics.

#### CURRENT EVENTS CLUB

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Treasurer, Mrs. Harry D. Brooks,
Members 30 Organized 1898
Subject of Study: Miscellaneous.

546 Main Street
776 Main Street
Federated 1900

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Members 30 Organized 1897 Federated 1911

Subject of Study: United States.

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#### TYNGTOWN CLUB

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Treasurer, Miss Lizzie E. Bass, Wilton
Members 36 Organized 1900 Federated 1901
Subject of Study: General Improvement.

#### WINSLOW

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#### WINTHROP LITERARY CLUB

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Lake Street, Winthrop

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Members 29 Organized 1892 Federated 1893
Subject of Study: United States.

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#### THURSDAY CLUB

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East Winthrop East Winthrop Federated 1905

Subject of Study: Miscellaneous.

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Treasurer, Miss Harriet Cobb, 13 Nevens St., Woodfords
Members 15 Organized 1892 Federated 1903

Subject of Study: Literature.

#### TWILIGHT CLUB

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Members 9 Organized 1897 Federated 1913 Subject of Study: Noted People of Maine.

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Treasurer, Mrs. George Hodsdon,
Members 35 Organized 1900
Subject of Study: Miscellaneous.

Yarmouthville
Yarmouthville
Federated 1908

## FORTNIGHTLY CLUB

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Secretary, Mrs. Enie C. Tilton,
Treasurer, Mrs. Enie C. Tilton,
Members 25 Organized 1895
Subject of Study: Miscellaneous.

Yarmouth
Yarmouth
Federated 1896

<sup>\*</sup>Data not received in time for Directory.

## General Federation

#### Message from the President

London, England, July 25, 1914.

My Dear Friends:

During the coming year, I shall ask you to give special attention to the three points that I tried to make prominent in my Biennial Address.

- 1. Give wide publicity to the work undertaken by your State Federation, and also by the General Federation. The ignorance that exists concerning our plans, our ideals and our accomplishments, is amazing. If possible, will you not arrange that each individual Club has forcibly and vividly presented before it your last State Meeting, the great Chicago Biennial, and the plans outlined for the next two years. Have a good speaker appear before every State and County Meeting of other organizations setting forth our work.
- 2. Nothing is more vital than the improvement of our rural schools. A more permanent tenure of office on the part of the teacher is absolutely necessary to bring about this betterment. A home for the teacher [or teacherages,—as they are called—near by the School building,] will give a feeling of permanency sooner than anything else. If a visiting nurse may be induced to make her home with the teacher, so much the better. I know full well that this is a radical step, but you will see at a glance how fraught with marvellous possibilities is the plan. Remember also that we are not alone in striving to accomplish this result; many other organizations are willing to help. Let it be our privilege to take the lead in establishing at least one teacherage in each County,

and report results on State Presidents' Night at the next Biennial.

3. Continue to welcome youth into the ranks. Let no opportunity pass to make the young women of your community feel that there is a place for them in our work. Letters from all parts of the Country have brought tidings that the message given by the six young women on the last night of the Biennial made a profound impression. Within the next two years, may we not hope to add thousands of well trained young women to our clubs.

Let us begin even now making plans to attend the council next spring.

I hope to return to America early in September with renewed vigor, and with unbounded hope for the future.

I am looking forward to a visit to Maine.

Always sincerely yours,

#### ANNA J. H. PENNYBACKER.

A paragraph from Mrs. Pennybacker's letter of Sept. 29, 1914, after Presque Isle meeting:

"I congratulate you heartily on the attendance and beautiful spirit of your meeting. When one considers how far away the Convention was I think the attendance was remarkable."

## Officers and Directors of the General Federation of Women's Clubs 1914-1915

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The General Federation Magazine

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## General Federation Organization

Organization suggested at a meeting called by Sorosis to celebrate its 21st anniversary in March 1899 in New York City.

#### CONVENTIONS.

April,	1890.	Ratification Convention New York, N. Y.
May,	1892.	First BiennialChicago, Ill
May,	1894.	Second BiennialPhiladelphia, Pa.
June,	1896.	Third BiennialLouisville, Ky.
June,	1898.	Fourth BiennialDenver, Col.
June,	1900.	Fifth BiennialMilwaukee, Wis.
May,	1902.	Sixth BiennialLos Angeles, Cal.
May,	1904.	Seventh BiennialSt. Louis, Mo.
May,	1906.	Eighth BiennialSt. Paul, Minn.
June,	1906.	Eighth BiennialSt. Paul, Minn.
June,	1908.	Ninth BiennialBoston, Mass.
May,	1910.	Tenth BiennialCincinnati, Ohio
June,	1912.	Eleventh BiennialSan Francisco, Cal.
June,	1914.	Twelfth BiennialChicago, Ill.

#### PRESIDENTS.

- 1890-1894 Charlotte Emerson Brown.
- 1894-1898 Ellen M. Henrotin.
- 1898—1902 Rebecca Douglas Lowe.
- 1902-1904 Dimies T. S. Denison.
- 1904-1908 Sarah S. Platt Decker.
- 1908-1912 Eva Perry Moore.
- 1912-1916 Anna J. H. Pennybacker.

The General Federation has a membership of 50 Federations, 1,500 Clubs, representing 1,000,000 women.

## General Federation Circuit Art Exhibits

Mrs. Melville F. Johnston, Chairman, 103 No. Tenth St., Richmond, Indiana

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Anything of value or interest to Clubwomen.

## THE GENERAL FEDERATION BULLETIN

A magazine for Clubwomen is the national official organ of the General Federation. It is devoted to Federation work. Give your subscription as early as possible to the General Federation State Secretary. Price, \$1.00 per year. Club news to the State Editor, Mrs. J. Frank Rich, Rockland.

The General Federation pin may be obtained from the

General State Secretary.

The Council of Presidents will be held in Portland, Oregon, June, 1915. The Biennial in New York City, May or June, 1916.

# Maine Members of General Federation Committees

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In direct membership with the General Federation Maine has 9 Clubs, representing 262 Active Members and 42 Associate Members.

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Presque Isle
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# New England Conference of Women's Clubs

Organized at Portland, Maine, 1913.

#### OBJECT

To consider matters of vital importance to New England with a view to co-operative work.

Chairman, Mrs. William Burlingame, Exeter, N. H. Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. George H. Fowler,

72 Mineral Spring Avenue, Pawtucket, R. I.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN.

The new England Conference sends a most cordial greeting to the Maine Federation.

Four years ago at the Mid-Winter Meeting of the Massachusetts State Federation of Women's Clubs, the Presidents, First Vice Presidents, and Chairman of certain committees were invited to be guests of the Massachusetts Federation and at the morning session the Presidents spoke of the work of their several Federations. The next morning a session of the New England Conference was held, at which time, Conservation, Child Labor and Pure Food were the subjects considered. An expert on each subject brought it before the conference and a general discussion followed. This proved so profitable that it was unanimously voted to continue these conferences annually. Miss Georgie A. Bacon, at that time President of the Massachusetts Federation, who planned and successfully carried through the first conference, was chosen chairman.

Meetings have been held at Providence, R. I.; Waterbury, Conn.; Portland, Me., and Manchester, N. H. At

Portland a permanent organization was effected. Its affairs to be administered by a committee consisting of the Presidents of the six New England State Federations and three members at large chosen annually by the Conference.

Its object is to consider matters of vital importance to New England with a view to co-operative work. The meetings thus far have proved both pleasant and profitable. The people of New England are drawn very close together by the ties of kinship, of historical association and by the knowledge that our interests are the same and the problems we have to solve are very closely related.

As the State Federation is to the individual club, so may the New England Conference be to the State Federation.

May the strong purpose to work for the best good of humanity bind us closely together.

Most sincerely yours,
HARRIET G. BURLINGAME, Chairman.

## Report of Annual Conference

Manchester, N. H., Jan. 29-30, 1914.

New Hampshire State Federation and Manchester City Federation hostesses.

Three sessions of unusual interest made memorable the Annual Meeting of the New England Conference.

A sectional program considered the subjects of Child Labor, Home Economics and Problems of the Rural Communities.

The first named subject was discussed topically as follows:

- a. Certain Phases of Child Labor.
- b. Point of View of the Manufacturer.
- c. Point of View of the Local Worker.
- d. The Ultimate Good.

Well qualified speakers presented the different aspects of the uniform child labor law; the discussion following being of great interest to the conference delegates.

- a. The subject of Home Economics was considered with regard to Entrance Credits to Colleges.
  - b. Uniform State Laws on Food Sanitation.
  - c. Protection of the Consumer.

The presentation was in charge of such experts as Mr. Charles D. Howard, Chemist State Laboratory of New Hampshire, Dean Helen Thompson of New Hampshire College, and Mr. Herron, Superintendent of Schools, Winchester, Mass. Much that was educational and helpful was brought to the delegates, and a larger meaning given the subject as a whole.

- a. The closing session studied the Problems of the Rural Communities' Relation to Rural Schools.
  - b. Social Life.

- c. Rural Hygiene.
- d. Conservation of Bird Life and Destruction of Insect Pests. With the increasing interest in everything pertaining to life in the country, close attention was given to the addresses named.

It was a privilege to see and hear Prof. Ernest Harold Baynes of the Meriden Bird Club; also to hear the thoughtful paper on Rural Hygiene by Dr. G. H. Shedd of North Conway.

At the business session the conference voted to recommend to the General Federation of Women's Clubs the redistricting of the country into eight districts, with a view to more equal representation.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows.

Members at Large—Mrs. William Burlingame, New
Hampshire; Miss Georgie A. Bacon, Massachusetts; Mrs
George H. Fowler, Rhode Island.

Chairman of Conference—Mrs. William Burlingame. Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. George H. Fowler.

At the close of the conference a complimentary luncheon was tendered the delegates by the New Hampshire State Federation.

The conference expressed hearty appreciation of the hospitality and courtesy of the club women of Manchester and adjourned to meet in Vermont in 1915, by invitation of the Vermont Federation.

Delegates from Maine to New England Conference:
Mrs. Frederick P. Abbott, President M. F. W. C.
Mrs. Henry A. Wing, Vice President W. F. W. C.
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The Annual Conference will be held at Burlington, Vermont, February 4th, 1915.

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## **Special Announcements**

## MID-WINTER MEETING

The 23rd Annual Directors' Meeting will be held at Penney Memorial Church, Augusta, on the 6th of January, 1915, by invitation of the "Current Events Club" of Augusta.

#### ANNUAL MEETING

The 23rd Annual Meeting will be held in Biddeford in September, 1915, by invitation of the Business Men's Association.

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