

Farlane, Mrs Jenkins, Miss E. M. King, Miss E. Retemeyer, Miss M. S. White.

Honorary Associates:—Lady Whitmore, Mrs Waterworth, Mrs Burt, Mrs Lake, Mrs S. E. Wright, Mrs Stock.

(Signed) M. S. WHITE,

Sec. S. Augustine's Branch.

PORT AHURIRI.

S. Andrew's G.F.S. Branch report a slow but good progress for the year. We have gained eight new members. The attendance has been good at all times, members taking a keen interest in the work allotted to them.

We have put in a useful term, our work being chiefly Missions, visitation of the sick and aged, Bible Study, sewing for the war fund or Belgian relief fund, singing, recitations, and making botanical collections of New Zealand flowers and shells, etc.

We have been promised handsome prizes for the best collection of the above named and classified. We are indebted to Mrs Millar, of the Cathedral Branch, who comes regularly and gives us Bible expositions.

Working Associates:—Mrs Oliver Dean, Mrs Creagh, Mrs Ferguson, Miss Pallot.

Honorary Associates:—Miss Braithwaite.

SARAH L. DEAN,

Sec. Port Ahuriri Branch.

WAIROA.

Our Branch had a satisfactory year on the whole. Four of the members have left the district and three new ones have joined. Our meetings have been held fortnightly, and have been well attended. Most of the time has been given up to work for the bazaar which was to have been held in January but which, owing to the war, will have to be postponed. The girls were responsible for the making of eight shirts for the soldiers. So many outside people offered to make shirts for us that we were sorry a larger number had not been sent. Our thanks are due to the Vicar for his kindness in allowing us to hold our meetings at the Vicarage.

Working Associates:—Miss Rainbow, Mrs Sandeman, Miss Sydney Brann, Mrs Briggs.

G. K. BRANN,

Sec. Wairoa Branch.

ORMONDVILLE.

During the present year three of our members have married and left the district. Very few meetings have been held. The Bishop addressed a meeting in July at which several non-members were present as well as those who live near enough to attend meetings. Some of our members gave work on the soldiers' shirts which were sent to us from Napier, and which were returned when finished. All the girls help in some way in the Church work of the parish, either for collecting funds, Sunday School work or volunteer Church cleaning. We have admitted no new members this year.

Working Associates:—Miss Alice Webb, Mrs J. S. Hosking, Mrs Fisher.

ALICE WEBB.

Sec. Ormondville Branch.

HASTINGS.

For this our third annual report I think we can truthfully report good solid progress along all lines. The roll shows a membership of 56 girls and 19 candidates and 10 working and 30 honorary Associates. Twenty-nine meetings of the Society have been held this year to date, i.e., to the 30th September, and there are still nine more meetings before the break-up. These meetings have been divided in four classes: Sewing Bible Class, Addresses, At Homes and S. John Ambulance Classes. For the addresses the Society has been fortunate enough to obtain the services of some excellent speakers in Mrs Sunderland, Miss Walton, Dr. Boxer and our Vicar, Rev. J. B. Brocklehurst. The outbreak of this dreadful war and the furnishing of necessaries for our volunteers which resulted, was met in a whole-hearted manner by the girls, who provided all the towels necessary for the local troops besides paying a sum of money into the general fund for this purpose. Other sewing work was also done.

The Society sustained a great loss during the year owing to the departure of Rev. N. Robertshawe for the Old Country. Mr Robertshawe was the curate here, and took a great interest in our Branch. As a slight recognition of this we presented him before leaving with a solid leather suit case.

An innovation this year was the initiation of S. John Ambulance

classes. Forty girls and Associates are taking courses. Doctor Boxer was originally the lecturer, but he volunteered for the war and went into camp with the Expeditionary Force. Dr. Tosswill is now kindly continuing the lectures.

Dr. Boxer had spent much time and had made himself very popular with the girls, and on going into camp, Mr Brocklehurst presented him, on behalf of the girls, with a camera.

Working Associates:—Mrs Hamilton, Mrs Fannin, Miss G. Gray, Miss M. Gray, Miss Martin, Miss Hodgson, Miss Ebbett, Miss George, Miss Harper, Miss Walton.

Honorary Associates:—Mesdames Brocklehurst, Dudley Hill, A. H. Russell, S. H. Knight, Gascoyne, H. E. Beamish, Barcroft, Watson, Martin Smith, J. Fraser (Tomoana Road), Watts, Charlton, W. Watson, G. Callender, F. Brook, G. Ebbett, Beilby, De Lisle, Lewis, Ambrose Wellwood, Anderson, Stubbs, Tickett, and A. Rainbow, Misses Baird, Danvers, Gore Martin, Elsie Williams, Westmorland, and Elwin.

E. MAUD CALLENDER.

Sec. Hastings Branch.

TARADALE.

Our meetings have been held very rarely this year. On June 23rd, our annual Intercession Service was held in the Church. An impressive sermon was preached by the Rev. A. P. Clarke. At this service four new members were admitted, two of whom have recently arrived from Home. Socials have been held during the year, which have been well attended, and have proved very enjoyable.

Working Associates:—Mrs A. P. Clarke, Miss Stuart, Mrs Brown.

E. G. SMART,

Sec. Taradale Branch.

TE AUTE.

This small Branch consists of seven Associates and seventeen members. Unfortunately, most of our Associates have been away during this last year, and as I also was away, meetings have not been held regularly.

The annual service was held on June 19th, members of the Mothers' Union, as usual, joining with the G.F.S. About twenty-five were present. In answer to Lady Liverpool's appeal on behalf