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What do Rose of Sharon, Jacob's Ladder, Dove at the Window, Fox and Geese, Rail Fence, Drunkard's Path, Wedding Ring and Grandma's Garden Path have in common? All of these charming, sometimes witty, sometimes homely names describe quilt patterns, many of which have been handed down through generations of quilters stitching thousands of tiny, perfect stitches through layers of fabric in time-honoured designs.

Women have gathered together for hundreds of years to create beautiful and func-

tional works such as tapestries, church vestments and bedding. In the Parry Sound area, ladies met in small social groups to create everything from knitted socks for the war effort to bedpan covers for the hospital.

