

pression of opinion from the Board to the effect that in cases where the pater- nity of illegitimate children has been proved, the child should be registered in the names of both father and mother. This alteration has been approved of by the Wanganui Charitable Aid Board, and is, on the face of it, so fair as to need no discussion. The mother of such a child has already borne much mental as well as physical pain and danger, and it is only just that the father also should be made to realise his responsibility.

The innocent child, too, has a right to bear the name of the man who was responsible for his coming into the world. But although the justice and humanity of such a proposal are manifest, only two men were manly enough to support it. Apparently the Board is of opinion that seducers of women should go scot free, and leave the women and children to bear the sad burden alone. It is very evident that more women are wanted on the local bodies of the colony.

In Memoriam.

MRS E. B. JONES, B.A.

The passing away of Mrs Jones, late secretary to the Invercargill W.C.T.U., will cause sorrow to many of our readers. Mrs Jones was of a particularly modest and retiring disposition, but her earnestness and sincere desire for usefulness attracted many of the delegates at the Wellington Convention two years ago. To our Invercargill friends her absence is a severe loss. At their request we insert the following:—

The W.C.T.U. desires to place on record its sense of the loss it has sustained through the death of the late Mrs E. B. Jones, B.A. It recognises her long and zealous services as secretary, and gratefully remembers how faithfully and efficiently for three years

she discharged the duties of that office. Her unselfish disposition led her constantly to think of others, and work quietly and perseveringly for their good. It was affecting to know that even during her last illness her mind was occupied with plans for the success of the Temperance cause. In the midst of such Christian labour the Master summoned her to Himself.

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Mrs Love.

By the Australian papers for October, we learn that Mrs Love, the first Victorian State President of the W.C.T.U., passed away at her sister's home in Parkersburg (America), on August 10th. The members pay her memory a sincere and loving tribute.

“The memory of our beloved comrade will ever be cherished by all those who had the privilege of knowing her. The inspiration and help she was to the work in this colony in our early days cannot be over-estimated.”

Our Illustration.

The quartette on our front page should be of interest to our readers.

MISS EMILY JANES, to whom we are indebted for the International Executive Notes in this issue, is the Secretary of the National Union of Women Workers of Great Britain and Ireland. She is an ardent worker; and is especially interested in promoting sympathy and co-operation among those who are working to raise the standard of life and thought among women of all classes. She edits “The Englishwoman's Year Book,” a most useful and comprehensive work.

MRS IDA HUSTED HARPER is an author and journalist. She wrote and published a biography of Miss Susan B. Anthony. She has been chairman of the International Press Committee, until recently, when Mrs Willoughby Cummings was appointed her successor.

MRS WILLOUGHBY CUMMINGS is Corresponding Secretary for the Dominion of the National Council of Canada, Vice-President of the Toronto Local Council of Women, Chairman of the Ladies' Committee of the Toronto Technical School, a member of the Executive Committee of the Women's Canadian Historical Society, Editor of the Social Department of the “Toronto Globe,” Chairman of the International Press Committee.

FRAU MARIE STRITT, the President of the German Women's National Council, is specially identified with the civil emancipation of both single and married women. Since 1895 President of the first Women's Legal Defence Union in Dresden. Since 1896 Member, and since 1898 Vice-President of the German National Council, and Chairman of its Law Committee. An ardent and active Propagandist of the Suffrage Movement.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

OUR N. Z. PRESIDENT.—Readers of our paper will be glad and thankful to see by the Wellington Union's report that Mrs Atkinson has recovered from her long illness, and is back again in her own home. This is good news indeed. We can now look forward to seeing her take the chair at the coming Dunedin Convention.

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THE BARMAID QUESTION.—Miss Jessie Mackay reports that in response to her letter to the various Societies she had two replies by return of post. One from the Christchurch Progressive Liberal Association, saying that it fully sympathises and will assist in bringing about the desired reform. Also one from the Wellington branch of the Society for the protection of women and children, enclosing the following resolution which was carried: “That this Society sympathises with the proposal to prohibit the employment of barmaids, and is prepared to support any attempt to obtain legislation in that direction.”

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THE TOTALISATOR.—The Public Petitions Committee, reporting upon a