

ORGANISER'S REPORT.

Dear Sisters,—

Tuesday, September 15th, found me embarking by s.s. Maori for Canterbury, arriving at 6.30 next morning, after a splendid trip. At the Christchurch station my eye began to scan for the familiar little friend,—the white bow. In this I was very soon rewarded by seeing two members coming to meet me, Mrs Dickie and Mrs Derrett. All preliminaries over, we quickly made our way to Mrs Dickie's home. After refreshment, we lost no time in reaching the Convention, where I was introduced to the Canterbury Unions by Mrs Don.

At the invitation of Mrs McCombs, the delegates met after Convention to plan my work for the month. As a result, I began at Sumner, enjoying the hospitality of Mrs McCombs. With the assistance of Miss Henderson and Mrs Fountain, I visited several homes, some of whom were old members, who responded readily to the effort to organise in this delightful spot, this being done the following Thursday.

In the meantime visited Riccarton, made preliminary arrangements for holding a meeting to organise there. Also Mrs McCombs and I visited Prebbleton. This Union having been found sleeping, we endeavoured to awaken it, and arranged for meeting to follow. Also, at the invitation of the Matron, held a pleasant drawing-room meeting at the sanatorium, Papanui, when nine members were initiated and affiliated with Christchurch Union, which I also had the pleasure of visiting, and, at the request of the President, laid before them the desirability of thoroughly canvassing Riccarton, in response to which some eight or ten members promised to give a day in doing this work.

Rangiora and district claimed next attention. Arrived there at 6.30 on Saturday evening, where, at the home of the President, it was arranged that I should meet the Union, but owing to bad weather, snow, etc., I was disappointed. On Monday morning following spent a profitable little time in prayer and counsel with Mrs Lee-Cowie, who was holding meetings at that time. The day then was spent in visiting Ashley. In the evening the final meeting for the season of the Band of Hope was held, Mrs Cowie

speaking. Through the kindness of the Committee, I was able to present before the meeting the claims of our W.C.T.U., and at the close several ladies signed the pledge and signified their intention of becoming members, and so forming a branch in their district, and next evening I met with these ladies at the home of Mrs Bowbyes and organised—Mrs Bowbyes, President; Mrs Smith, Vice-President and Press Representative; Mrs Peach, Treasurer and "W.R." Agent; Mrs Robertson, Secretary. These members impressed me as being determined, faithful women, who will see this thing through.

A flying trip up to Oxford to speak at their annual meeting was the next that claimed my attention, and here let me offer a meed of praise to this bonnie Union. A full meeting, and the pleasing feature about it, as I viewed the audience, was the good attendance of the masculine gender. Three of these went out wearing our white bow, also four new members initiated. The President and Secretary both made my short stay amongst them very pleasant. At 6.50 next morning found me en route for South Canterbury, cutting in at Rakaiia and Methven. In each of these places I am hopeful of organising very soon, Mrs Todd and Mrs Aitken, Rakaiia and Methven respectively, contributing to help on this work by information and hospitality so generously given.

For years it has been my desire to see Ashburton, and now my desires and hopes have been realised, for here I am in the beautiful and prosperous town of Ashburton, with its freedom from the evil-smelling open bars of the liquor traffic. Here a full programme has been arranged, including an open-air on Saturday night last, and a rally in the Theatre on Sunday night after church.

Tinwald has come in for its share of work, and the hope of organising there is strong.

Last night I had the pleasure of meeting with the "Y's," and a very fine young Union is this. I trust that these young women will go on in strength and determination to attain to all the possibilities that await the consecrated worker for God, Home, and Humanity.

More about Ashburton in my next. Address for month still "Miss Henderson, Clifton, Sumner."

NCA MATE O TE WHANAU A TE TANGATA KAI WAIPIRO.

Ko te tino kino o te waipiro he kore no tona mate e kati ki te tangata e rekareka ana ki a ia. He maha nga tangata kai i tenei kai ewhakaake ana ki tona kino, he patua noatia no ratou e te tangata, he mce noa i ro paruparu, i ro tataramoa, he mamae ranei i te takanga i runga hoiho. Mehemea koia nei anake nga mate o te kei nei ka nui te pai, ewhiua ana hoki ko tona tinana ano ko to te tangata e kore ana e iro. Otira e mohio ana tatou ehara enei i nga mate o te waipiro, a ko nga tangata e mea ana koia nei anake ona mate, he tangata aroha kore, ngakau maro. He pai toru te tangata i te wa kaore he waipiro i roto, he tangata humarie, ngakau aroha, engari kia tae ia ki te puna o tona kai, kia rua kia toru nga karaihe kua tataki tona waha; kua pera me te manu e timata ana ki te waiata, ko whakatamoumou i tona kaki, ka roharoha i ona parirau; ko ta te manu ia kia reka ai tona korokoro te waiata, tena ko te haurangi kia rewa ai te pata o te korero kino i roto i tona waha. Ka hia nga tangata i patua i nga hotera mo nga korero kino i puta i tona mangai? Ka hia nga tangata i patua na te haurangi noa te take? Ka hia nga tangata pai, e whakamatau ana ki te mahi i nga mahi hei painga mo era atu, e kai upokotia ana i roto i nga hotera. He iti noa te raruraru a tetahi tokorua, engari kia tae tetahi o raua ki te hotera ka korerotia e ia taua mea ki ona hoa i reira, he nui noa atu, me te korero ano i nga korero kikino katoa mo tera o raua. Ki te mea i reira tahi raua he riri te mutunga iho. Koia nei nga o te waipiro, ehara i te mea ko nga ringa pa anake o nga haurangi ki a ratau na whakahaurangi, engari ko nga kupu rere noa, ngautuara, kohukohu, a tetahi ki tetahi, a tetahi ranei ki nga mea noho pai i te kainga. E tino hangai ana mo tenei tunga kupu e mea ra, "he kino katoa nga tokonga katoatanga o nga whakaaro o tona ngakau." Hoki atu ki te kainga, pewhea te ahua? He tokomaha nga mea whai whare ahatua, engari na te nui moni tonu i taea ai te tiaki te whare. Tena ia ko te nuinga kaore tahi he painga o nga whare. Ko nga tamariki e haere tahanga ana, kaore e tino ora ana i te kai, kaore noa ano hoki te whakaereere i te whai kaha. Ko tenei ahua ia te mea tino kino