

**WOMEN CANDIDATES FOR BRITISH PARLIAMENT.**

Seventeen women candidates sought election to the British Parliament last December 14th. They were: Mrs Carruthers (R.), Mansfield; Miss C. Pankhurst (Ind.), Smethwick; Mrs Despard (Lab.), Battersea N.; Mrs Anderson (Lab.), Stoutbridge; Mrs Pethick Lawrence (Lab.), Rusholme; Mrs Strachey (Ind.), Brentford and Chiswick; Miss Phipps (Ind.), Chelsea; Mrs C. Ashby (R.), Ladywood; Miss A. V. Garland (R.), Portsmouth South; Mrs Dacre Fox (Ind.), Richmond; Mrs J. McEwan (R.), Enfield; Mrs How Martyn (Ind.), Hendon; Mrs H. McKenzie (Lab.), Welsh University; Miss E. Murray (Ind.), Bridgeton; Miss M. M. Farquharson (Ind.), Scottish Universities; Miss Carney (S.F.), Belfast; Mme. Markievicz (S.F.), Dublin; Mrs Lucas, widow of Colonel F. A. L. Lucas (whose death during his election campaign necessitated the postponement of the polling day in the Kensington Division), took up the role of candidate herself.

**THE TRIUMPH SONG.**

(By Anna A. Gordon. Tune—Ancient of Days.)  
 Lord God of Hosts, to Thee we give the glory,  
 To Thee we lift our hearts in grateful praise;  
 To all the world we tell the wondrous story,  
 Thy Love has led us to these joyful days.  
 Far-flung the line of battle now before us,  
 Still led us on, Thou Conqueror Supreme;  
 Thy name is on the banner waving on before us,  
 Our path is lightened by its shining gleam.  
 Lord God of Hosts, we plead for our great nation,  
 Grant her the victory over sin and wrong;  
 Perfect in law and built on truth's foundation,  
 Thence shall we sing with joy our triumph song.  
 —Popular Campaign Songs.

Buy with thought, cook with care,  
 Serve enough with none to spare,  
 Eat what will spoil, save what will not,  
 Grow what you can, waste not a jot.

**ONE DAY AT A TIME.**

One day at a time! that's all it can be,  
 No faster than that is the hardest fate;  
 And days have their limits, however we  
 Begin them too early and stretch them too late.  
 One day at a time! Every heart that aches  
 Knows only too well how long it can seem,  
 But it's never to-day when the spirit breaks,  
 It's the darkest future without a gleam.  
 One day at a time! But a single day,  
 Whatever its load, whatever its length,  
 And there's a precious Scripture to say,  
 That according to each shall be our strength.  
 —Helen H. Jackson.

**THE MOTHER WHO SMILES.**

I am so glad you smiled at me  
 When we said our last good-bye;  
 It warmed and cheered my aching heart  
 To see you more brave than I.  
 It took me back a score of years  
 To where I, a timid child,  
 Turned, halting, on my way to school,  
 And you waved me on and smiled.  
 I've brought that smile across the sea,  
 And your look of courage rare;  
 They'll give me strength to meet the foe,  
 And the heart to do and dare.  
 I know I'm in your constant thought,  
 That you often kneel in prayer,  
 Entreating God to spare the world  
 And your first-born "over there."  
 God bless the mothers, every one,  
 And comfort their hearts; the while;  
 And pour a double blessing on  
 Those rare, brave mothers who smile.  
 —Sarah F. Dusenbury.

**England's War-Time Drink Bill.**

England's drink bill for 1917 was 250 millions. There were used in brewing during the year, 600,000 tons of barley and 65,000 tons of sugar. The barley turned into bread would have given 268 million quarter loaves.

**Ruckland District, 2nd & 4th Wednesday 2.30 p.m.** W.C.T.U. Headquarters, Wellesley Chambers, Wellesley Street (entrance Lorne St.); Pres., Mrs Cook, Point St., Mt. Eden; Cor. Sec. Miss N. Dewar Ponnallier Terr., Ponsonby; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. W. Taylor Sentinel Rd., Ponsonby; Treas., Miss J. Dewar Ponnallier Terrace; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Nelson 78 Esplanade Road, Mt. Eden.

**Avondale, 3rd Tuesday, 2 p.m.**, Brown Street Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs St vens; Rec. Sec., Miss B. Git os; Cor. Sec., Mrs Proctor; Treas., Mrs Walker; W.R. Agent, Mrs Morgan.

**Ruckland, Y's.**—Last Monday at 7.45 p.m. in W.C.T.U. Headquarters. Pres., Miss Alice Parkinson; Vice-Presidents, Misses I. Cook, and O. Scott; Supt., Mrs Perrett, Market Road, Epsom; Rec. Sec., Miss Hazel Patterson; Cor. Sec., Miss M. Bottrill, 31 Arthur St., Ponsonby; Treas., Miss D. Stubbs, Shoal Bay Rd, Devonport; "W.R." Supt., Miss I Sussex.

**Ashburton, 1st Tuesday, 2.45 p.m.**, in Baring Square Schoolroom; Pres., Mrs W. T. Lill; Cor. Sec., Mrs G. Bowman, Peter St., E; Rec. Sec., Miss Trevarza, 169 Peter St.; Treas., Mrs W. J. Brown, Walnut Av; "W.R." Supt., Miss Butterick, Wakanaui.

**Avondale Y's.** 3rd Wednesday, 7.45 a.m. in Road Board Room Blake Street. Pres. Miss Elsie Stevens, Vice Pres. Misses Ada Adams, Lilla Russel & Rowley; Rec. Sec., Miss G. Wright; Cor. Sec., Miss M. Cottrill, New Wind-or Rd., Avondale; Treas. Miss M. McCarthy, Station Rd.; W.R. Supt. Miss B. Thomas; Y. Supt; Mrs Pirro tt, Market Rd., Epsom.

**Blenheim District, 1st Tuesday, 3 p.m.**; Pres Mrs A. J. Litchfield Livermore; Sec. Mrs H. S. Horn Springlands, Blenheim; Treas., Mrs Hay, Stephenson St; Mothers' Meeting and Cradle Roll, Madames Brewer and Hancock; W.R. Agent, Mrs W. Parker, Grove Rd.

**Cambridge, 1st Tuesday, in month in Victoria Hall, at 3 p.m.**; Pres., Mrs A. T. Watson; Sec. Mrs Clark. Methodist Parsonage; Treas., Miss Clark, Hall Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs W. Hogan; W.R. Agent Mrs A. T. Watson.

**Christchurch W.C.T.U Rooms, 247 Manchester St., opp. His Majesty's Theatre.** Second and fourth Wednesday; Pres., Mrs T. E. Taylor, Cashmere Hills; Cor. Sec., Mrs R. Day, Milford St., St. Albans; Rec. Sec., Miss Bishop, 12 Bealey St.; Treas., Mrs Patterson, 316 Worcester St., Linwood; Asst. Treas., Miss Gordon, Holly Lea, Manchester St.; "W.R." Supt., Mrs Drizman, 11, Brown St., St Albans.

**Dannevirke, 2nd Wednesday, Wesleyan Schoolroom, 3 p.m.** Pres., Mrs Richards; Rec. Sec., Mrs McPhee, Princes St.; Cor Sec., Mrs Wiseman High St.; Treas., Miss Burdett.

**Dunedin District, 1st Tuesday, No-license Rooms, Moray Place, 3 p.m.**; Pres., Mrs Hiatt, 72 Heriot Row; Cor. Sec. and Press Cor., Mrs Chisholm, Rec. Sec., Nurse Williamson; Supt. WHITE RIBBON, Mrs Anderson 82 Duke St; Treas., Mrs Young, Bishopscourt Roslyn.

**Devonport, Second Thursday, Wesleyan Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m.**; Pres., Miss Barr, Victoria Rd., Vice-Presidents, Madames Budd, Elliot Sheppard, George and Young; Sec., Mrs Burnett, Jubilee Av.; Treas., and Supt W.R., Miss Le Roy, Waterview Rd., Stanley Bay; Supt Cradle Roll, Miss Lilliwell.

**Fitzroy, last Friday, 2.30 p.m.**, Methodist Church; Pres. Mrs A. Hayward, 834 Devon Street, Fitzroy; Sec. Mrs L. Gray, 638 Devon Street East New Plymouth; Treas. Miss Tolme, Chilmson St., Fitzroy; W.R. Agent, Mrs J. Kibby, Clew St., Fitzroy.

**Feilding, 1st Thursday, 2.10 p.m.**, St Paul's Hall. Pres., Mrs Barton, "Brabourne," Monmouth St; Cor. Sec., Mrs Clara Neal, 3 Fitzroy St; Rec. Sec., Mrs Cooke, Manchester St; Treas., Miss Svendsen, East St; "W.R." Agent, Miss Jordan, c/o Mr H. Field, "Cloverdale," North Road; Literature, Mrs E. Bridge and Miss O'Neill.

**Gisborne District, last Tuesday, 2.45 p.m.**, Presbyterian Schoolroom; Pres., Mrs Goffe, Ormond Rd.; Sec., Mrs F. S. Malcolm, Gladstone Rd.; Treas. Mrs F. J. Wilkes 466 Gladstone Rd.

**Greymouth District, last Tuesday at 3 p.m.**, in Sailor's Rest Hall; Pres., Mrs Gaskin; Sec., Mrs Mason, Cobden; Treas., Mrs Sweetman White Ribbon Agent, Mrs T. Brown; Cradle Roll and Band of Hope, Mrs Stewart and Mrs Perry.

**Hamilton District, first Thursday, Wesleyan Clasp Rooms 2.30 p.m.**; Pres. Mrs J. T. Horne, Cliffto Road; Sec., Mrs W. H. Paul, Clandelands; Treas., Mrs F. J. Davey, London Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Gaulton, Ross Trevor Street

**Hamilton East**—3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs Gillies, Nixon St; Sec., Mrs Ogilvie, Firth St; Treas., Mrs Jack, McFarlane St; Cradle Roll, Mrs Meares; W.R. Agent, Mrs Dey