

News of the Unions.

(The Editor cannot promise to insert anything in the next issue that does not reach her by the 8th of the month. Correspondents are requested to write their Reports as concisely as possible, on one side of the paper only. Newspaper cuttings are unsuitable.)

NELSON.

Feb. 11. Mrs Watson presided. Miss Anna Gordon acknowledged Nelson's congratulations on the closing of American breweries, and calling attention to the "International Edition of the Union Signal." Resolved that this Union subscribe for one year. Balance-sheet read and adopted, and Treasurer thanked for her work. £16 9s 6d raised for Hutment Fund. Officers elected: Pres., Miss Atkinson; Acting-Pres., Mrs Watson; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Field, Hill, Hockey, and White; Cor. Sec., Mrs Edmonds; Rec. Sec., Mrs Judson; Treas., Mrs Brown; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Whitford. Superintendents of Departments: Literature and Moral Education, Mrs Field; Librarian, Mrs Kirby; L.T.L. and Backblocks, Mrs Moyes; Cradle Roll, Mrs Thompson; Good Citizenship, Mrs Hill. Mrs White and Mrs Kirby elected Convention delegates. Preliminary arrangements made for School Committee elections and Municipal.

N.E. VALLEY.

Feb. Annual meeting and election of officers. Good attendance. A most interesting address on the coming licensing poll by Mrs Don. March. Resolved that next meeting take the form of a by-rally. Convention delegates were appointed. Very good attendance.

HAMILTON EAST.

Feb. 18. First meeting of the year. Attendance good. Members all reported doing good work enrolling electors for the coming poll. Decided to hold Cradle Roll and Mothers' Meeting next month.

MATAMATA.

This new Branch held a second meeting a week after its inauguration to consider plans of work.

Feb. 1. Special meeting. Decided to assist Alliance League with house to house canvassing.

Feb. 10. President in the chair. Article from "White Ribbon" read and discussed. One new member initiated. Corresponding Secretary resigned, and her duties were undertaken by the Recording Secretary.

GISBORNE.

Feb. 18. Postponed annual meeting. A good attendance. Letter received from Mrs Nimmo acknowledging £42 7s for the Minesweepers' Fund. Treasurer's report showed a balance of £3 18s 1d. Mrs Graham

spoke a few words, contrasting the drinking habits of the Americans and the British, much to the disadvantage of the latter. Election of officers: Pres., Mrs Goffe; Sec., Miss Rosie; Treas., Mrs Wilkes; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Graham, East, Toneycliffe, and Whyte; Heads of Departments: Literature, Backblocks, and Purity, Mrs Graham; Flower Mission, Mrs Church and Mrs East; Evangelistic, Mrs Day; "White Ribbon" Agent, Miss Sievwright; Tea Committee, Mesdames Church and Spence. Mrs Laurie was welcomed, and a collection of £1 6s taken up for the Missionary Fund.

TIMARU.

Feb. Mrs Hyland Brown presided over a good attendance. Reports of Hospital Visitors received, and new visitors appointed. Mrs Don's letter in "White Ribbon" read. Mrs Brown appointed delegate to Convention. Decided to ask Mrs Raymond to allow herself to be nominated for Hospital and Charitable Aid Board. Members agreed to supply refreshments to Prohibition Scrutineers on polling day. Sailors' Rest report showed 130 visits paid by 45 men. Two socials had been given to men from the s.s. Ruahine. One new member received.

FEILDING.

Feb. 6. Mrs Barton presided. Resolved to post our Dominion President's letter re the soldiers' vote to every absent member. Paper on "Good Citizenship" read, and report given of Y Branch lately organised.

Feb. 10. Frances Willard Day. Meeting at Mrs Barton's. Address by Mrs Neal. Three new members and collection of £1.

March 1. Members attended L.T.L. picnic held in Mr Guy's grounds.

TAKAPUNA.

Feb. 6. Annual meeting. Short address by President. Reports of Secretary and Treasurer received. Membership stands at 42, an increase of 11 for this year. Officers re-elected, with Miss Mills as Cradle Roll Superintendent. Afternoon tea served.

Feb. 20. Cradle Roll picnic in the grounds of Mr Goldie. Mrs Don gave an inspiring address, a tiny member recited, and afternoon tea was served. Many children were enrolled.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Feb. 12. Postponed annual meeting. Mrs Cook presided. Special thanksgiving for peace. Reports read and received, and showed good work accomplished. £52 1s. 3d collected for Hutment Fund, and £30 for Minesweepers, with £73 worth of woollen goods. Officers elected:—President, Mrs Cook; Rec. Sec., Mrs Taylor; Cor. Sec., Miss Little; Treas., Mrs Pirrett; Miss Dewar had to retire owing to illness, and Miss Nellie Dewar also declined re-election. Both officers were thanked for long and faithful services, and sympathy expressed with Miss Dewar in her illness. Mesdames

Garroway and Moody appointed Vice-Presidents.

Feb. 19. Special meeting of combined Executives to welcome Mrs Don, who gave a stirring heart to heart talk. Decided to hold a daily prayer meeting for victory until April 10th.

Feb. 26. Votes of sympathy with Mrs Caughey and Mrs J. J. Craig in the loss of their sons overseas. Mrs Reuben Bailey gave an inspiring address, and a solo was rendered by Miss Remer.

INVERCARGILL DISTRICT.

March 4. Mrs Macalister presided. Treasurer's report showed £82/14/- taken at the refreshment tent at the Show, also £138 for the Minesweepers' Fund. Mr Bayley gave an address on Prohibition in Canada. Mrs Lillicrap was appointed Delegate to Convention.

MOUNT EDEN.

Feb. 24. First meeting of the year. Attendance poor; many members not yet returned from holiday-making. Miss Wilson gave an interesting and helpful talk.

TAURANGA.

Nov. Annual meeting. Officers elected: Pres., Mrs Christian; Cor. Sec., Mrs Weston; Rec. Sec., Mrs Petchell; Treas., Mrs Chappell; W.R. Agent and Cradle Roll, Mrs Christensen. £2 donated to No License League.

Feb. Mrs Christensen presided. Address on the work for the coming poll by Staff-Capt. Moore. Balance-sheet read and adopted.

Feb. 18. A successful garden party was held. £6/10/- raised for the World's Mission Fund.

MASTERTON.

March 4. Mrs Devonport presiding. Letters of sympathy to be sent to Mrs J. A. Hosking also to Mrs Hosking (Senr.) who have suffered bereavements; also to Mrs Jas. Elliott in the illness of Mr Elliott.

PETONE.

Dec. 18. Annual meeting; Mrs Rouse presiding. Votes of sympathy with Mesdames Ashby and McKenzie who lost relatives in the recent epidemic. The reports were read and adopted, and showed a satisfactory year's work. Officers elected: Pres., Mrs Ashby; Rec. Sec., Mrs Budd; Cor. Sec., Mrs Eason; Treas., Mrs Donaghue.

WAIHI.

March 1. Mrs Don welcomed by our President and the Mayoress at a reception on Saturday evening. Mrs Don gave a most inspiring address, and seven ladies responded to her appeal for new members. On Sunday evening Mrs Don addressed a large audience in the Miners' Union Hall, and was listened to with much attention.

Feb. 7. Mrs McRae presided. Decided to do all in our power to assist for the coming poll. Balance-sheet read and adopted. £1 donated to the