

and there are many more names to be added. Twenty-four of our workers have taken up a house to house canvass of Hastings distributing literature, &c., in connection with the No-License League, and are meeting with great success. We trust that our efforts will, with God's blessing, bring forth fruit at the coming fight.

At Mrs Barton's afternoon meeting six new members were initiated.

WOODVILLE.

We have had good times in connection with our work lately.

In June we had Mrs Barton; everyone enjoyed her addresses.

In July our New Zealand Corresponding Secretary, Mrs Peryman, paid us a visit. We had a splendid afternoon meeting; 5 new members joined our ranks. In the evening Mrs Peryman gave another address, which everyone enjoyed.

We meet on the last Tuesday in the month; meetings well attended.

We have started our Crusade work. We hope to assist in carrying National Prohibition.

FEILDING.

July 26, a social was held at which Miss Powell gave an excellent address. She proved the damaging effects of the drink traffic, and said that many of the large hospitals were practically doing without alcohol, and doctors classed it amongst arsenic, strychnine, and other poisons. She urged all to strike out the top line of each voting paper, also to take up the Women's Crusade work. Many responded and took pledge books. Mrs Budd presided.

August 3. It was resolved to get a lady speaker to hold an afternoon meeting at Cheltenham, in this electorate. Resolved to send a letter of sympathy to Mrs T. E. Taylor, also to contribute to the Taylor Memorial Fund. Decided to try and procure a short leaflet containing reasons for voting No-License and National Prohibition, for distribution, and to procure cards for the Cradle Roll.

WANGANUI.

July 14, the first of a series of Mothers Meetings was held at the residence of Mrs Collier. Between 40 and 50 present; this must be considered a record attendance (the distance from town is two miles, and most of those present walked both ways). Dr Dunn gave a capital lecture on "Motherhood." The collection taken up was for the benefit of Organizing Bazaar Fund.

July 25, at Putiki, a meeting was held to welcome Miss Rebecca Smith. This was the best meeting yet held at the pa. A number of Maoris, both men and women, joined the Union.

July 27, an "At Home" was held at Mrs J. Smith's, Wilson Street, to meet Miss Rebecca Smith; about 40 members were present. Miss Smith gave an account of her work in a short speech, and sang a duet with Munga.

August 4, in St. Paul's Hall, Mrs J. Smith in the chair. A vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs T. E. Taylor in her bereavement, the members standing.

PUTIKI.

July 25, there was a very good attendance, about 40 or 50 being present. Miss Rebecca Smith, Maori Organizer, was with us; also three friends from the Wanganui Union. The

meeting was opened with a hymn and prayer by the Rev. A. O. Williams, who then gave a short address showing the good of No-License, quoting as an example the town of Masterton, where, during 1907 under License, there were 450 convictions at the Court, and during 1910, under No-License, only 56. Miss Smith addressed the meeting, telling of her experiences in other places, and urging the claims of the No-License cause. Mrs Upton and Mr Hori Takarangi also spoke, the latter welcoming Miss Smith and offering his hearty support to the cause. Miss Smith then asked if there were any present who had not signed the pledge and who would like to do so; 14 responded, 8 men and boys and 6 girls. Three new subscribers to the WHITE RIBBON were also secured. Officers elected:—President, Miss Mangu Tahana; Vice-President, Mrs Forsythe; Secretary, Miss O. Williams; Assistant Secretary, Miss A. McDonnell; Treasurer, Miss I. Hare.

The Wanganui President, Mrs Smith, explained that a Gift Sale in aid of the Organizing Fund for Maori and European work was to be held in September, at which she hoped our members would assist. It was suggested that they furnish a fern stall, and Rev. Williams kindly volunteered to drive several fern-collectors to the bush. Miss Smith then gave a little advice to the officers. The meeting was closed by the Rev. Williams with prayer.

NGAIRE.

We have, once a month, established a prayer and praise meeting, and they are proving a means of blessing to all who attend.

At our June meeting three new members were enrolled.

July 4. A farewell meeting was held at Mrs Clark's, one of our oldest members, who is leaving the district. Great regret is felt at Mrs Clark's removal.

We have lately lost quite a number of our members—Mesdames Wickham and Kennington amongst others. We have resolved to work up the Women's Crusade, and have appointed Mrs Kennington, senior, Superintendent of Mothers Meetings and Purity combined.

August 1, at Mrs Morrison's, good attendance, Mrs M. T. Phillips, President, in the chair. A message of sympathy was sent to Mrs T. E. Taylor. The greater part of the afternoon was taken up making final arrangements for the Provincial Convention to be held here on August 9th. We are hoping for a good number of Delegates and friends, and good meetings.

KIHI KIHI.

Our Branch held their first Band of Hope meeting on 14th July in the Presbyterian Church. The crowded audience assembled showed great appreciation of the excellent programme rendered. A Temperance address delivered by Mr Crispin, Auckland, was listened to with keen interest. The Rev. W. Woollass presided.

Mrs H. Sutherland, President, arranged a drawing-room meeting to introduce Mrs H. W. Gilling, President, Matapu. Two new members were initiated and a Band of Hope meeting arranged for August 12th.

WELLINGTON.

July 6, Mrs Boxall presided. The resignation, owing to ill-health, of Mrs Johnson, Recording Secretary, was accepted with

regret; Mrs Neal consented to act till the annual meeting. The President gave an account of the tea arranged by the W.C.T.U. in connection with the City and Suburbs No-License League Convention held on July 5th. It was arranged to hold a drawing-room meeting at Mrs Ward's on the 19th. Correspondence was read and discussed, and two new members were initiated.

NELSON.

Our July meeting was held in the Diocesan Library, kindly granted to us by the Bishop, when over 50 were present. Miss Atkinson presided. Miss Grimley, of Leicester, England, gave an earnest address on "Women's Work in the Temperance Cause." We have decided to take up the Women's Crusade as proposed by Mrs Driver. Arrangements are being made for holding a Sale of Work in October with a view to getting funds for campaign expenses. Since last meeting we have added 18 new members to our list. This is due chiefly to the holding of drawing-room meetings, with addresses given by Miss Grimley, and by visitation.

We purpose starting a "Y" Department, with Mrs Israel as Superintendent.

BLENHEIM.

July 22. Cards asking for prayer to be offered daily for victory at the next poll were received, and resolved that at the next meeting they be put into the hands of our workers and that every house should be visited and supplied with one or more cards.

The Mothers' Meeting is very well attended, and the fortnightly meeting is looked forward to.

July 5. Rev. Richards baptized two babies and gave a short address on "Baptism."

July 19, a drawing-room meeting was held at the residence of Mrs D. Sinclair. Mrs Rogers read an interesting paper. A letter from Mrs Griffin re the Women's Crusade was read; resolved to bring it forward at the next meeting.

GREYMOUTH.

A good attendance, Mrs Mason presiding. Letters re Mothers Meetings and Temperance Sunday were discussed. We were pleased to hear that Mrs Lee Cowie would visit our coast very soon, and members intend to do all they can to make her visit a success. Resolved to hold a small sale of work in October for the funds of the Sailors Rest. We were glad to have the addition of three new members to our Union. Mrs Walton, at whose house the meeting was held, provided afternoon tea.

A very good entertainment was given on 1st August by the members of the Band of Hope, under the direction of Mrs McIntosh and Mr Smith, the children and young people doing their parts really well.

CHRISTCHURCH "Y's."

August 1, presided over by Miss Lovell-Smith. Deep regret was expressed at the death of Mr T. E. Taylor, and sympathy for Mrs Taylor and family. The "Y's" are to work more earnestly and thoroughly in the great work Mr Taylor has been so suddenly called from. Miss Baynon superintended the sewing for the children at the hospital. A kitchen bazaar is to be held the last week in August in aid of election work.

NEW BRIGHTON.

June 27, in the Methodist Bible Class Room, Mrs Cole and Miss Roberts gave two very in-