

## Y REPORTS.

**AUCKLAND.**—Oct. 1. Miss E. Appleby presided over a good attendance. Miss D. Lees and Miss Eileen Geary recited, Miss Appleby and Miss Adams sang a duet. Sister Nicholls gave a very helpful and interesting address on her work amongst the Maori people. She showed how it is the place of the Pakeha in New Zealand to give up his time in missionary work among the Maoris. A social hour was spent and supper served.

**ARATAPU-TE KOPURU.**—Sept. 18. Miss V. Taylor presided, good attendance. Mr J. Woodhouse gave a very interesting address on "Work in Poplar (London)," showing the evils of drink. One new member. Social hour and supper.

**ASHBURTON.**—Sept. 15. The President, Mr N. W. Corbett, presided, there being about 60 present. Misses L. Robinson and E. Prothero appointed delegates to Convention. Decided to give a Concert for the Wakanui Good Templars' Lodge. The subject for discussion was "Y's and otherwise, and how to reach them." Several members gave interesting suggestions, and Rev. Matthews gave some helpful hints on how to obtain new members and keep them. Decided to commence a Membership Campaign, the competition being between the Churches.

**BLENHEIM.**—Sept. 6. Rev. Fordyce presided. After arrangements were made for the forthcoming Bazaar, the Rev. Fordyce gave an address on "Gambling."

Oct. 4. The President, Mr Frank Smith, presided over a well-attended meeting. Miss McLay gave an interesting talk on "The Work of the Y's." A debate on "Is War Justifiable," Mr Roy McCallum and Mr Frank Cook taking the affirmative, and Mr Cyril Everden and Mr Frank Smith for the negative; the affirmative won by two votes.

**DUNEDIN.**—Sept. 17. Meeting held in our new room (first Church Bible Class.) After being welcomed, Miss Bradshaw gave a very interesting talk about some of her work. Parcel sent to both Borstal Institute and men in Back-Blocks.

**KOHIMARAMA.**—Sept. 12. Very good attendance. Miss Betty Clarke presided. Devotions. Roll called, answered by Temperance facts; pledge repeated. Superintendent gave an address on "Wine, and the danger of taking the first glass."

Sept. 19. Miss Hubben, Vice-President, presided; good attendance. Devotions led by Miss Molly Claridge. Motto and pledge repeated. Readings from back numbers of "White Ribbons." Mrs Kasper, Superintendent, gave a short report of District Convention.

**LEVIN.**—Sept. 18. Good attendance met Miss C. M. McLay. Mr Astridge presided. Miss McLay spoke most impressively to the young people, and eight new members were initiated. Three speakers made their first attempts at public speaking, and acquitted themselves well. Officers were elected:—Vice-Pres., Rev. Crocket; Supervisor, Mr Swift; W.R. Agent, Miss Cairns; Reporter, Mr T. E. Petersen.

**NEW BRIGHTON.**—Sept. 14. The President presided, good attendance. Misses M. and E. Diehl, M. Moses and O. Gibb to attend District Convention. Paper cuttings on the following subjects, "What Sunday Should Be," "The Boy and Home Life," and the "Licensing Bill," were given by members and fully discussed. Supper was served.

**PICTON.**—Aug. 1. At the home of Mr Head. Scripture reading, singing and music. Aug. 29. Mrs Burrough gave an inspiring address, "Don't Pitch your Tent too Near Sodom." Social hour and supper. (Reports delayed by sickness of Secretary.—Ed., W.R.)

Sept. 24. At the home of Mrs Head. A very helpful paper on "Influence." Copies of "Ten Points" distributed among our members. Social hour, followed by supper.

**WANGANUI.**—Sept. 5. Nineteen present, presided over by Miss McKay. Mrs Goodey gave a very interesting talk on "Hiding a Light under a Bushel." Miss McKay's reading on "Side-lights of Shakespeare," was greatly appreciated by all. Decided to hold all future meetings on the first, instead of the fourth Wednesday. Supper, and a delightful social hour.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR THE SPEAKERS' CLASS SPEECH COMPETITION.

Five-minute addresses on "Prohibition Promotes Prosperity":

- The Health of the Nation.
- The Economic Evidence.
- A Practical Programme for Public Safety.

Select three speakers, and present a book prize to the winner. May I recommend a book prize which I have found inspiring? Agnes E. Slack, "Two Hundred Thousand Miles' Travel for Temperance in Four Continents." This book may be had from Auckland Band of Hope Union, 312 Queen Street, Auckland, for 2/9, including postage, dispensed by Mrs M. Morehu.

## TO WOMANHOOD.

(A Message on the Eve of the Poll.)  
In bond of womanhood, I to thee write,  
Praying that with due thought thou'lt wield thy might;  
Fret not for Revenue, nor fear for Crimes;  
Thou need'st not! is the foreword of our Nation's sanest minds,  
But think thou of the young whose care is ours.  
Ours is the work to train them to be powers  
For weal or woe.

In days long past our Great Example worked  
And prayed—wielding afresh His heaven gained dower.  
"Suffer the Children" was His word and cause them not to fall,  
We follow His behest if we safeguard them all.  
DRINK'S A FELL DANGER! Let us then use our might  
And, voting, make THAT Law, which is the right,  
Then PURITY and TRUTH to children shall be Towers,  
EVIL—a foe.

**APITI.** 1st Thursday in Presbyterian Church at 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs Murray; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Gill and Wilson; Sec., Miss F. Malcolm; Treas., Mrs Gould; W.R. Agent, Miss McKenzie.

**ARAMOHO.** 4th Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres. (Acting) Mrs Duxfield; Cor. Sec., Mrs Gilmore, 2 Paterson Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs R. C. Good, Robert's Avenue; Treas., Mrs Coddington, Robert's Avenue; W.R. Agent, Mrs Suddaby, Cumbræ Place.

**ASHBURTON.** 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baring Square Schoolroom. Pres., Ensign Mrs Moore, Cameron Street East, Ashburton; Treas., Mrs A. Saunders, Kermod Street West, Ashburton; Sec., Miss E. Trevurza, 169 Peter Street East, Ashburton; "White Ribbon" Agent, Miss A. Watson, 84 Cameron Street West, Ashburton.

**ASHBURTON "Y's."** 3rd Saturday, 7.30 p.m., Baring Square Hall. Pres., Mr N. W. Corbett, 47 Racecourse Road; Sec., Mr F. H. E. Silcock, 36 Moore Street; Treas., Miss D. Glassey, 45 Havelock Street; W.R. Agent, Mr J. W. Beck, 64 Beach Road; Supt., Mrs C. S. Matthews, Wills Street.

**AUCKLAND.** second Tuesday, in the Club Room, Y.W.C.A., Upper Queen Street. Devotional meeting, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs Cook, 17 Esplanade Road, Mt. Eden; Cor. Sec., Miss N. Dewar, Pompallier Terrace, Ponsonby; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. W. Taylor, Sentinel Road, Ponsonby; Treas., Mrs Dowling, 6 Pompallier Terrace; W.R. Agent, Miss Hill, Russell Crescent, Ellerslie.

**AUCKLAND Y's.** 1st Monday, at 7.30 p.m., in France Street Methodist Mission Hall. Supt., Miss Pyle, 8 Stokes Rd., Mt. Eden; Pres., Miss Appleby, 28 Brentwood Avenue; Vice-Pres., Mrs Lee-Cowie, 8 Stokes Road; Rec. Sec., Miss L. Adams, 50 Collingwood St., Ponsonby; Cor. Sec., Miss F. Hullah, 8 Fourth Avenue, Kingsland; Treas., Mr S. Smith, Church Street, Avondale; W.R. Agent, Miss Appleby, 28 Brentwood Avenue.

**BALCLUTHA.** 1st Tuesday, 3 p.m., P.W.M.U. Classroom, S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs Cations, James Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. Stephens, James Street; Treas., Miss Tosh, Toshivale; Cor. Sec. and White Ribbon Agent, Mrs J. Geggie, Rosebank.

**BIRKENHEAD.** 3rd Thursday, at 2 p.m., Methodist Classroom. Pres., Mrs Todd, The Crescent; Sec., Mrs Brodie, Seddon Street, Chelsea; Cor. Sec., Miss Toyer, Hinemoa Street; Treas. and W. R. Agent, Miss R. Le Roy, 6 Lytton Street, Devonport.

**BLENHEIM.** first Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs W. M. Smith, Middle Renwick Rd.; Sec., Mrs V. Underhill, Yelverton. Treas., Mrs T. Pike, "The Laurels," W.R. Agent, Mrs W. Pike, Main St.; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs A. Braddock, 86 Maxwell Rd.; Literature, Mrs W. Chuck, Bomford St.; Libraries, Mrs Lane, Dashwood St.

**BLUFF.** 1st Friday, Willard Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Donaldson, Barrow Street; Sec., Miss Mitchell, Ocean Beach; Cor. Sec., Mrs W. H. Johnston, Foyle Street; Treas., Mrs W. Barker, Foyle Street.

**BRIGHTON UNION.** 3rd Thursday, 2.15 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs H. Hall, Wainui St., Bexley; Rec. Sec., Mrs M. Moses, 140 Lonsdale Street, N.B.; Cor. Sec., Mrs F. M. Mitchell, 387 Park Road, N.B.; Treas., Mrs N. Fraser, River Road, N.B.; W.R. Agent, Mrs H. McIlroy, Breezes Road, Aranui.

**CHRISTCHURCH.** W.C.T.U. Rooms, 247 Manchester Street, 2nd and 4th Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss Henderson, 9 Straven Road, Riccarton; Cor. Sec., Mrs Ruth Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Alban's; Rec. Sec., Miss Thomas, 34 Crammer Square, Christchurch; Treas., Mrs Richards, 14 Morris Street, Avonside; W.R. Supt., Mrs R. Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Alban's.

**CARTERTON.** 1st Wednesday, in Salvation Army Barracks, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Every, Garrison St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs Raine, Vicarage, High St; Rec. Sec., Mrs Kennerley, Belvedere Rd.; Treas., Mrs Hurley, Pembroke St.; W.R. Agent, Miss Waterson, Pembroke Rd.; Evangelistic, Mrs Tyler; Cradle Roll, Mrs Sayers, Kent Street.

**CAMBRIDGE.** 2nd Wednesday in month, in Methodist Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs A. W. Martin, Hamilton Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs Elsie Beer, Stafford Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs B. Moore, Victoria Street; Treas., Mrs Geo. Carter, Victoria Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs E. James, Grosvener Street.

**DANNEVIRKE.** meets 2nd Thursday, Methodist Church, 2.45 p.m. Act. Pres., Miss Heaton; Vice-Pres., Mrs Daniel; Sec., Mrs T. Nicholson; Treas., Mrs Sharpley, Princess Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Wright, 227 High Street.