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Single Copy, 4d.**HERBERT HOOVER.**

Once more the U.S.A. has elected for her chief citizen, a man of the people. Herbert Hoover, like Lincoln, was the son of poor parents. By his own efforts he worked his way through college. He married a fellow-student, and in many lands she proved a help indeed to her husband. During the war, Hoover organised the vast machine that fed a starving Europe.

When the Mississippi and her tributary streams overflowed, and deluged millions of acres and miles of country, and rendered thousands homeless; then Hoover was sent out to organise relief and to do all possible to repair the damage.

Again, when U.S.A. was suffering from a Crime Wave, the sober citizens faced the fact that if people flout one law and refuse to enforce it, they weaken the power of every law. The problem of Law Enforcement took on a wider, deeper significance. If the Eighteenth Amendment was treated lightly, if the breaking of Prohibition Law was winked at, then all laws were in danger, and lawlessness was becoming rampant.

The Presidential Election was a crucial test, a clear-cut issue between wet and dry. Hoover, a Quaker, the son of a White Ribboner, a man of high ideals, declared his intention to see the law enforced.

At the W.C.T.U. Convention of 1927, the women had promised, "Wherever He leads us we will follow, even if it leads us to the breaking of political party ties." That promise they kept. Women

registered and voted as they had never done before. They worked, they distributed literature, and once again they proved to politicians, that the way to get the woman's vote out, is to have at stake a great moral issue that stirs the hearts and appeals to the judgments of thinking citizens.

"The Union Signal" thus sums up the position:—

SOME ENCOURAGING FACTS.

Never, since the ratification of the Eighteenth Amendment by forty-six of the forty-eight states of the Union, has the voice of the people of this nation been heard so emphatically in support of prohibition as at the Presidential Election on November 6th. The opponents desired a national referendum on the subject and they got it. Out from the so-called wet East and the great cities, from the dry South and the rural districts, came the emphatic call for the continuation of the national policy of the prohibition of the manufacture, sale or transportation of intoxicating liquors. State after state in the Solid Democratic South elected a straight Democratic state ticket but refused to vote for their Presidential candidate because he announced himself against the Eighteenth Amendment.

Not only were the dry candidates for President and Vice-President elected; but dry candidates were generally elected for the United States Congress and for state and local offices. It is coming to be a very difficult thing for any wet candidate to be elected anywhere in the United States at any time.

The observation that every succeeding Congress is drier than the last will hold good for the Seventy-first. In the Senate, dry men have been elected to succeed some of the bitterest wets—Senators Bruce of Maryland, Gerry of Rhode Island, Reed of Missouri, Bayard of Delaware. Another militant, Senator Edwards of New Jersey, will not return, but his successor unfortunately is not dry. In the House of Representatives, which could count only sixty-one wet votes on a roll call last year, the number of dries has also been increased. Colorado rejoices in going back to her old position of having a 100 per cent. dry representation, having defeated Judge White, a wet, who was sent for an unexpired term last year. Of the three new women members in the House, two, Mrs Ruth Bryan Owen and Mrs Ruth Hanna McCormick, take their stand with the dries.

And why did women vote so solidly for a dry President? They voted to save the children from the blighting influence of the open saloon.

Here are a few pars from an address by the Headmaster of Harvard School:—

PERSONAL LIBERTY—YES, FOR THE CHILDREN!

We are, therefore, pretty apt to laugh at this whole claim of personal liberty. If there is any value to it at all it applies to the liberty of the children, that is, the freedom of the children from any and all influences that tend to retard their spiritual development; and I know what I am talking about in regard to this.

For twenty-five years my work has been among the children of the poor. I have seen the baleful influence of liquor manifesting itself in the lives of women and children.

It has been my privilege to see the coming of prohibition. I have seen the wiping out of the saloon. I have seen the passing of this dreadful shadow from the lives of the children. I have seen the children coming to school better dressed, better fed and better cared for. I have seen them playing on the self-same corners with no obscenity to shock them and no evil sights to destroy their spiritual perceptions. I have seen the passing of the drunk from the streets; and I want to say right here that these calamity howlers who speak about conditions being worse to-day than they were before prohibition either are talking out of the fullness of their own imaginations or are deliberately perverting the truth.

The streets of Boston to-day are clean; and I invite the members of this convention to go abroad in any section of the city day or night and bear witness to this truth that I am stating. If, now and then, you do find a drunk, his very appearance shows that he is of the most abandoned character and he is quickly rounded up and placed where he cannot give scandal to the children of the community.

I, therefore, say, and I say it with all truth and earnestness, that this question of prohibition is a vital factor in any plan for character development among our children. It is the biggest single factor in the nation-wide success that we hope for. We can point out to them that they must prepare themselves to carry on this idealistic conception of life and in the strength of their own generation remove forever the traces of this evil that are still hanging over from a degraded day.

I say this because I am convinced that the future of prohibition and its ultimate success lies only temporarily in the hands of the present generation. The new race is coming, in which education is rapidly preparing the groundwork of mentality and spirituality that will no more tolerate the degrading horrors of the liquor traffic than the present generation tolerates that of opium.

IN MEMORIAM.

We have to record the passing of Mrs Martha J. Bayly, aged 86, on February 5th, 1929. Of a very energetic nature, she took a keen interest in all good works for the betterment of mankind, up till a short time of her death. For many years a faithful Temperance advocate and a member of the Waitara W.C.T.U., her heart and purse were open to any good cause. She will be sadly missed by her many friends for her cheery words and smile.

Sawyer's Bay,

February 24th, 1929.

Once more we have to record the passing away of one of our oldest members, in the person of Mrs Austin, Hall Road, Sawyer's Bay. Though not an active member, she attended the meetings as often as she could, and always showed great sympathy with all Temperance work. She was a good friend to all in sickness, and her capable and kindly nursing will long be remembered in Sawyer's Bay. We extend to her husband and family our sincere sympathy in their great loss.

STATE CONTROL.

Just what is being "controlled" by the Liquor Control in Canada?

Not the amount of liquor drunk, for Ontario is buying liquor at the rate of 1,000,000dols. a week—Ontario Liquor Board.

In Alberta, 4,000,000 gallons of liquor sold in second year "control."—Alberta Liquor Board.

"Sales of beer increased 1,000,000 gallons over last year."—Quebec Liquor Commission.

The seven provinces having "Government Control," with a population of 10,000,000, spend 160,000,000 dols. a year for liquor.—Reports of the seven Liquor Control Boards.

Not the sale of Hard liquor, for "since the opening of the beer parlours, the sales of hard liquors increased 50 per cent."—British Columbia Liquor Board.

Sale of hard spirits increased 32,275 gallons in one year.—Quebec Liquor Commission.

Sale of hard liquor increased 33 per cent. in last two years.—Saskatchewan Liquor Board, 1927.

Not the number of persons drink-

In Ontario, 220,440 permits were issued—Alberta issued 60,000 permits the first year; two years later she issued 144,000 permits.—Alberta Liquor Board.

issued in first four months.—Ontario Liquor Board.

Drunkenness among women increased 53 per cent.—"Montreal Star."

Not Drunkenness—"If all the drunks were arrested, there would be no room for them in the jails.—Police Commissioner C. F. Burton, of Manitoba.

"Arrests for drunkenness increased 125 per cent. in first eight months."—Saskatchewan Liquor Board.

"All records for inebriates were broken to-day, when 89 Labour Day celebrants faced Magistrate Cohen."—"Toronto Star."

Not Bootlegging—"Our greatest problem is Moonshine in the country districts."—Alberta Liquor Board.

Bootlegging increased 111 per cent. in first year.—Saskatchewan Liquor Board.

"As much liquor is sold by bootleggers as is sold in the Government stores."—British Columbia Liquor Board.

Many Canadians are discovering, instead of liquor being controlled by the Government, the Government is being controlled by liquor.—Buffalo Citizens' Committee, of 10,000 for Law Enforcement.

—"Christian Science Monitor,"

October 13th, 1928.

A young doctor was sent for one night by an old farmer. It was his first case. The patient was the farmer's son, and he was in bed suffering great pain.

The young doctor, glowing with importance, said:

"This should cause you no alarm. It is nothing but a cristified exegesis antispasmodically emanating from the physical refrigerator, producing a prolific source of irritability in the pericranial epidermis."

The farmer looked at him and replied:

"Just what I said; but his mother thought it was stomachache."

DISTRICT EXECUTIVE.

NORTH CANTERBURY.

Mar. 6. Miss Henderson presided; 14 Unions represented. In connection with Church appeals, over 100 new members had been gained. Miss Blackwell spoke on need of getting women on School Committees. Unions reported good opening meetings. Increased membership and Cradle Roll and L.T.L. work earnestly taken up. Vote of thanks to Mrs T. E. Taylor and Miss Lovell-Smith on successful Y.P. Rally; a most enjoyable function, attended by over 300 young people. It was held in the beautiful grounds of Mrs T. E. Taylor, and Rev. Robertson gave a most interesting address on "The Nature and Effects of Alcohol." Eight new members. Next Executive on April 10th.

TARANAKI DISTRICT.

A School of Methods, organised by the Taranaki District Executive, was conducted at Ngaere Gardens, on February 27th. Miss C. M. McLay, "Y" Organiser, acted as Head, and Mrs Phillips, District President, as assistant.

The School was held in the open-air, and the conditions were ideal. Bright sunshine, grassy lawn, shaded by trees of oak, elm, and many others, flower beds glowing with gladiolias, asters, etc., together with a hot-house, radiant with begonias and ferns, in the background, native bush, with miniature lakes gleaming amongst the foliage, tended to increase the pleasure of the outing. The monkey cages came in for some attention from the students. There were those who speculated on Darwin's theory, but we missed the link. The Gallery of Mirrors caused much hilarity. The "Y" Organiser was noted, admiring her (for once) plumb proportions in one.

The first session of the School assembled at 11 a.m., in a shady nook; 35 students were present. Miss McLay opened with singing, prayer, and Scripture lesson, then proceeded to demonstrate how a Model Union would conduct a meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and passed. The Treasurer read a report of the flourishing condition of the Union

finances. Mrs Phillips, commenting upon the report, called the President's attention to the number of members who were not wearing their White Bows, and asked that the Treasurer might be allowed to collect the fine of one penny each. The Cradle Roll and White Ribbon Superintendents reported on the work of their Departments.

The President, Miss McLay, in the absence of other speakers, gave a fine address entitled, "Mothers in Israel," dealing with the influence of mothers upon the characters of their children, as depicted in the stories of Rebecca and Racheal, showing how Rebecca taught her sons deceit and dishonesty, while Racheal brought up her two sons, Joseph and Benjamin, in an atmosphere of love and truth. She told us, in her sweet rippling voice, with its Scottish lilt, how women throughout the ages had been the inspirers to great deeds, and how the women of U.S.A. had worked for 135 years in the cause of Temperance, and how at last they had, by millions of votes, made Prohibition sure for all time. We then adjourned for lunch; everyone had their own baskets, but we spread a long table, and all gathered around, a very happy band

At 2 p.m. the School reopened with devotional exercises. Speeches prepared, and impromptu, was the programme. Prepared Speech: "What the District Executive Stands For," Mrs Phillips. Paper read, "How to Win our Young People," Mrs Davis, the newly-appointed Superintendent of the Stratford "Y's."

Impromptu Speeches: "Our Motto," Mrs Mackinder: "Why do I Belong to the W.C.T.U.?" Miss Crozier, President of the Eltham "Y's"; "Liberty," Mrs Davis; "My Reason for Voting Prohibition," Mrs Bowlan; "Children, Our Best Assets," Mrs Lithgow.

Own Subjects: "God, A Present Help," Mrs Stanners; "The Busy Bee," Mrs Green.

Prepared Speech: Mrs Phillips, first. Mrs Phillips handed her prize to Miss Crozier, who had done so well in the impromptu speeches.

Impromptu Speech: Mrs Mackinder, first.

This brought the afternoon session to a close; in all, about 50 attended in the afternoon. Afternoon tea was handed round, and a vote of

thanks to the Ngaere Union for arranging the details.

The Executive are greatly indebted to Miss McLay for the way in which she carried the programme through. Had it not been for her foresight and advice, the School could not have proved such a success.

PROHIBITION IN SPORT.

ADMIRAL MARK KERR, R.N.

There is one comment on drink which I should like to make, as showing that it is not so generally useful as some people will make it appear. I have always collected as far as possible officers under me who were good at games and sport. I have always noticed in their case, that when they were training for a big match, more especially in Rugby football, drink disappeared from their programme, and in one ship, where nearly every member of the ward-room played Rugby (and there were a pretty good lot of them, four played for the Navy, and eight played for the United Service), one seldom saw a glass of wine on the table.

WHAT THEY PROMISED.

In view of the fact that the Kellogg Treaty has been recently signed, and the great importance that attaches to this international agreement for the renunciation of war, it seems desirable to reproduce, for purposes of reference, the two salient articles of the Treaty. They run as follows:—

I. "The High Contracting Parties solemnly declare, in the names of their respective peoples, that they condemn recourse to war for the solution of international controversies, and renounce it as an instrument of national policy in their relations with one another."

II. "The High Contracting Parties agree that the settlement or solution of all disputes or conflicts, of whatever nature or of whatever origin they may be, which may arise among them, shall never be sought but by pacific means."

Smithers (in a rage): "That man is the biggest fool in the world."

His wife (comfortingly): "Henry, Henry, you are forgetting yourself."

A FATEFUL PROMISE.

CHAPTER II.

The following night the Gaiety Cabaret was bright with flashing lights, and joyous with the strains of music, as Wilkins and his party drove up.

It was small and very select, and quickly was ushered into the room which the host had reserved.

The ladies emerged from their dressing room, and their appearance was rather a shock to Geoff. He had never seen damsels so lightly clad, nor had he seen such freedom of manners. His mother, though no prude, was of the old school who believed in womanly dignity. The dances became wilder, the conduct more hilarious, as the wine circulated more freely.

Then, at a pause in the music, Wilkins called upon glasses to be charged, to drink the health of the guest of the evening. Geoff filled his glass with water, a little difficult to obtain. His host watched him closely, and said: "Surely you'll drink your good wishes in something warmer than that."

"I'm drinking Adam's Ale," said Geoff, bravely trying to keep up his own courage.

"Adam's Ale," sneered Wilkins, "better call it Eve's Special."

"Let him alone, please," said Mona White, a lovely girl who Geoff had been surprised to see at such a party.

The toast was drunk, and others followed. Modesty had long departed from that scene, and decency was fast following. Dimly, Geoff was feeling what his mother meant by "viewing the scene with eyes undimmed with wine." He saw his chums, flushed with wine, holding in their arms and on their knees, girls who were fast becoming too intoxicated to stand. He even saw Mona Wright with Wilkin's arm around her, going into a side room. She was his sister's friend, and he thought, "I wouldn't like my sister to be in a drunken revel like this."

The glamour of the scene could not blind him to the rottenness that underlay it.

As he stood by the entry, he heard Mona's voice cry out. He rushed into the room to find her struggling in Wilkins' arms, her clothing torn, her hair disordered.

"Oh! Geoff, save me," she cried. "You cur, let her go," and he grappled with the man who held her.

"Don't be a fool," cried the furious host, "You didn't think this was a Sunday School tea party, did you?"

"No! but I did think we were gentlemen!"

Geoff caught the half-fainting girl, and Wilkins launched a blow at him. It missed Geoff, but caught Mona and felled her to the ground, her head striking the corner of the door. Geoff stooped and raised her in his arms; Wilkins tried to snatch her from him; the lights went out, and a quick call of "The Police," sent everybody seeking cover.

Still holding the unconscious girl, Geoff stepped out from the door. Fortunately, it opened into a dark yard, and he escaped the notice of the police.

He saw a party of them driven off from the door, and then all was in quietness.

Then he considered his own position. Here he was, long after midnight, miles from home and with a girl, badly injured, he feared, in his arms. Heartily he wished he had stayed away, and he blessed his mother for the promise she had made him give her. With the thought of his mother came the memory of an old friend of her's, Mrs Cross, who lived in a flat quite near to the Cabaret, and he determined to go there and seek her help.

(To be continued).

AN ENGLISH VICAR'S "DRINK POINTS."

The Rev. George Denyer, Vicar of St. Paul's Church, Blackburn, issued some novel "drink points" in his parochial letter for November. He stated:—

The man who can afford to get drunk is too rich.

The best thing to keep in the beer bottle is the corn.

If you get the best of whisky, it will get the best of you.

The man who tried to drown his sorrow in drink, found that it could swim.

It costs a man more to have a seat in a public-house than to have a seat in the church.

It takes a long time to age whisky, but it won't take long for whisky to age you.

LETTER OF GREETING TO CONVENTION FROM OUR EX-PRESIDENT.

5 Bellevue Street,

Roslyn, Dunedin,

March 11th, 1929.

My Dear Miss Henderson,

Instead of a text as greeting to Convention, I am sending an extract from a three-minute's speech, made at the last State Convention in Boston, by Mrs Cambell, of New York, who was winner in the Competition. She said: "I hope every member in our Unions will wake up and shake up, get up and stay up, and go forth from our meetings determined to sing up and talk up, preach up and pay up, and never give up, let up, dry up, or shut up, until Prohibition is built up." May I add, that after the crushing defeat at last poll, we should accept the above advice, and also look up, read up, work up, keep up, until we march up to ultimate victory.

With best of good wishes and love,

Sincerely yours,

RACHEL DON.

FROM OUR NIUE SISTERS.

The Y^W people have had their meetings on the 27th of February. It was a pretty sight; each village marched into the church. There are ten new ones added on since August. This work is growing, and the young people are keen, and are trying hard to live up to their standard. They render a very good programme. The Alofi Band gave a play: "The Ten Virgins," "The Wedding Garment," "The Prodigal Son," and the "Talents." These were acted by young people. Three girls recited a piece called "Armoured." Hymns were sung by them. They did real well; I was very pleased with them. We will remember you all in our prayers. We have no white Missionary yet.

I must close now, with much love from you Niue sisters in Christ.

Yours sincerely,

MALAMA VAIOLA,

Head.

MAORI PAGE.



THE PEACE PACT OF PARIS.

One of the most important days since Armistice Day was August 27th, 1928, when the outlawry-of-war Pact was signed in Paris. Mr Kellogg did much to prevent America from being a member of the League of Nations, but he has been instrumental in establishing another League to co-operate with it. This Pact is distinguished from all other peace agreements, in that there is neither a lawyer nor a policeman attached to it. It has been well said, that the real sanction of peace between private citizens is not fear of the law and the police, but the habits of self-restraint induced by many successive generations of practice in the mind of the average man. It is the object of the Pact to induce the same habit of peace in the international mind. It knows no force but moral force.

From the dawn of history, war has been a habit, an institution, one of the chief factors in the making and unmaking of peoples. Most of the great states have grown up through a series of wars, and in every age war has been a powerful motive force.

Diplomatists have said that we cannot have effective arbitration and disarmament without a changed international psychology, but the Kellogg Pact, or the Peace Pact of Paris, gives a striking indication of a changed international psychology. Would Austria, if such a Pact had been in existence, had the face to attack Serbia in 1914, and so begin the Great War? The Pact does not turn the world into a Garden of Eden, but it gives man a new hope. It is an act of faith.

In Europe to-day, is a practical argument for peace and disarmament more powerful than a thousand speeches? While the victorious nations have been spending huge sums on the upkeep and development of military, naval and air forces, Germany deprived by the terms of the Peace Treaty of the right to do so, has been free to divert her money to the development of industry and commerce. The result is, that she is to-day, ten years after the war ended, a thriving nation, able at least to hold her own with any other.

The Kellogg Pact is a direct blow at the institution of war. It is no longer a question of a defensive organisation against war, but the danger is being cut at the root itself. In future, that country which dares to break this Pact, will incur the condemnation and perhaps the enmity of all the signatories to the Pact.

God's blessing is surely on the Kellogg Pact.

WHO IS TO DRINK IT?

This is the report of an actual dialogue which took place between two American citizens the other day—one of them a business man, and the other a clergyman, to whom the business man spoke frankly, as one does to a good friend:—

"Well," said the layman, with an air of finality, "Prohibition is a failure, and we must get used to the idea of making America 'wet' once again."

"But who is to drink the liquor?" queried his friend. "Will you?"

"Why, no," he replied. "You know that I am a teetotaller."

"Will your son drink it?"

"No, that shall not be!"

"Would you want it to come back for the sake of your clerks?"

"No, it is my practice to discharge any clerks who drink liquor."

"Do you want your customers to drink it?"

"No, I would much rather not; I am sure that those who use strong drink will not buy so much from me, nor pay their bills promptly."

"Will you want the engineer on your train to use it?"

"No, I admit I don't want to ride on a drunkard's train."

"Ah, then, you want this liquor for the men whom you meet driving cars on the public highway?"

"No, of course not; that is a danger to everybody."

"Well, then, who is to drink this liquor in America, pray tell me?"

"I am not so sure that anybody should drink it. I guess we're much better off without it."—"Reformed Church Messenger."

Guy Bush, of the Chicago Cubs, has no use for booze.

"There is room in Major League baseball; ample room for such clean-living, energetic young athletes as Guy Bush."—Baseball Mag.

GREYTOWN.—Meeting held at Presbyterian Sunday School; President in chair; eight members present. Presented to Pakeha Union four flax mats and four baskets, as a gift of appreciation for their assistance to our Union. Shop Day to be held on Friday, 8th March, in aid of delegate's expenses. Benediction.

GLADSTONE.—Feb. 28. Annual meeting was held at Mrs Hemi's home; Mrs Hawea presided; seven members present, one friend. Members arrange Mrs Rangite-kaiwaho for delegate for the Dominion Convention. Bring and Buy was held. Afternoon tea was served.

OTUREI.—Feb. 20. A meeting at the residence of Mrs J. Walters. Sister Nicholls opened the meeting and gave us a very helpful talk. Reading from 1 Corinthians, the 12th chapter, she told us how that every part, even the smallest, was necessary to make the whole a complete body, and so we, although a small Union, had our part to play to build up the world-wide movement. The last year's officers were re-elected for this year:—Mrs Walters, Senr., President; Mrs J. Walters, Secretary; Mrs Paki Ihaka, Treasurer. Meeting closed with the Benediction.

PERSONAL.

The many friends of Mrs Clara Neal, of Epsom, will be pleased to hear that she has recovered from her severe illness, and is now staying at W.C.T.U. Headquarters in Toronto. She expects to arrive in Auckland by the "Niagara" on March 26th.

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

The following address is by Mrs Denton Leech, J.P., Hon. Secretary Dominion Council League of Nations Union. It was given at a meeting of the Dunedin Central Union:—

Madame President and Members of the W.C.T.U.,—

It is a great honour to address such a body of women—no idle phrase—for I feel it is a very great privilege to meet such a valiant body as you have shown yourselves to be. You have fought so courageously—so sturdily for a principle and a reform, that you are convinced is true and righteous.

Lately you met with a set-back, but not disheartened, you at once set out to re-organise your forces and to devise new tactics. That spells success.

Though you have not reached your goal, you have made great advances:—(1) The habits of the people have changed; (2) Public opinion has definitely sided with temperance; (3) Arguments have taken the place of scoffing. You note that alcohol has become an international question in relation to health; to the welfare of children; to the safeguarding of backward people. In the international work of the League of Nations, it has been found impossible to ignore the baneful influence of alcohol in those three large departments of its work: the Health Commission, race hygiene; the Welfare of Children; the Mandates Commission.

In the near future support will come from men-folk and from the Bench—the drunken motorist is a different proposition from the drunken driver of a horse-drawn vehicle—the faithful animal usually took his drunken master safely home. Some of us would like to have less class-distinction in the decision of the Bench in these cases. The advent of commercial aviation means strict abstention from alcohol—the slightest delay in mental reaction at a critical moment—a slight confusion of mind—spells disaster to the aviator and possible death from crashing his machine.

The W.C.T.U. lesson of courageous perseverance must be applied in relation to World Peace and the abolition of war. Patience, remembering that there are 56 nations having varied and complex forms of Government are engaged in reforming themselves, and only ten years have elapsed since they commenced, reminding ourselves that New Zealand possesses the most direct and simplest form of democratic government, yet, even so, some 18 or 20 years pass before a reform is achieved.

In 1920, the high hopes of the people and the ideals of the League of Nations seemed about to be quickly realised—expectation vaulted beyond the realms of practical politics. We are to-day faced by the same international suspicion—distrust—jealousy—willingness to believe the worst of other nations and to impute ulterior motives, just the qualities that threaten the peace of the world.

So, taking a lesson from you, I ask you to look back with me and measure the progress that has been made toward outlawing war, and therefrom to find courage and hope.

In 1919 the Allied Powers laid down the principle that the race in armaments must never again take place; the various nations should agree on a limitation beginning with the defeated enemy Powers. When the German Envoy, horror-struck at the terms of the Peace Treaty, and the destruction of their great military power, refused to sign, a letter was addressed to them, signed by the French Prime Minister, on behalf of the Allies: **"That Germany's disarmament was but a prelude to general reduction and limitation for all nations as the most fruitful prevention of war."** Article 8. Since that date, successive steps have been taken by the Great Powers to find a method of putting that principle into practice—firstly, the Covenant, 1920, Article 10, which outlaws aggressive war, followed by other schemes. For who was to judge aggressive war? . . . no nation would acknowledge such an aim. Some years passed . . . each successive Assembly brought discussion, and after many abortive attempts the Geneva Protocol was propounded in 1924. This was accepted by France and some smaller nations, but Great Britain felt the responsibilities too heavy and too vague for application to the far-flung British Empire. Nevertheless, good came of it, for the problem was clarified into the three terms—Security—followed by Arbitration leading to Disarmament.

You will recall the dramatic episode of international history, when the British Prime Minister and the Premier of France travelled together to Geneva and enunciated these three conditions—Security—Arbitration—Disarmament.

In the following year, 1925, came the Locarno Pact—to follow on Germany's admission to the League. There were two powerful groups of nations—Germany, Poland, Czechoslovakia, and France; Germany, Belgium, France, Great Britain, and Italy. By the latter, the present frontier line between France and Germany was assured—even a neutral zone proposed—the Rhineland was to be evacuated earlier than 1935. Each country knew that

should she open hostilities against any one nation, she would have to fight the whole group—it would take some thinking before taking such a risk. In this lay the barrier to arms and the guarantee of peace. Still even then, important as it was, it did not give sufficient security to warrant reduction of armaments—these meantime were piling up. Then, three years later, 1928, came the Kellogg Pact.

The signing of the Kellogg Pact was an occasion of great dignity; it took place in the Foreign Office in Paris, hence the change in the name—Pact of Paris. The Quai D'Orsay is a stately building, and from the parapet of the four sides there fluttered the flags of all nations—probably for the first time in history, that from any one foreign office the flags of the nations fluttered at the same moment.

The Office of Foreign Minister is a magnificent chamber—hung with priceless tapestries and works of art—here the foreign ministers assembled; there remained one vacant seat in front of M. Briand and M. Poincare. As the clock struck three there entered the German Envoy, Dr. Stressman, still looking weak from his recent illness. M. Briand and M. Poincare rose to greet him with outstretched hand. It was the first time for over 60 years that a German Minister had been received at the Quai D'Orsay.

'Simple, direct, effective, didn't trouble about details of guns or tonnage or poison gas or regiments; if all peoples banish war among themselves, the rest follows.

So then security having been achieved, arbitration is provided for by the Permanent Court of International Justice, and conciliation by the Council of the League of Nations, then reduction of armaments is brought within reach.

Perhaps till now we have thought of reduction of armaments as a matter solely for government to settle by means of cutting down the army and scrapping vessels of war, to be arranged by international agreements, and then would be lightened the heavy burden of taxation that is strangling industry in all countries.

Matters are not so simple. The economic ramifications of military

and naval armaments are so far reaching, so complex—so human, that it is not possible for any nation to act hurriedly.

Disbanding a few regiments, as was done in India, created considerable suffering—men have signed on for long terms with a pension in view—and soldiers are not easily absorbed into civil life; while officers take the King's commission for life-time. What can they turn to for a livelihood to meet responsibilities undertaken justly under former conditions—and unemployment already ripe and the professions overcrowded? The ordinary army officer has scarcely any capital at command.

Then there are vast industries, with the army of industrial workers—enormous engineering works employing the highest skill—the steel-works—the lifeblood of England almost;—the manufacture of machinery for such—the clothing and food for army and navy—the settlements that grew up around the "big works" in various parts of Great Britain—the retail shops that supply the necessaries of life for the workers—the cluster of businesses of all descriptions that are dependent on the wages earned in the steel works—naval dockyard or barracks—even down to the tiny shops that supply the little daily needs of the workman.

Readjustments take considerable time, entail great hardships, and increase the unemployment and cause intolerable suffering to individuals. One instance comes to my mind: When Great Britain gave Home Rule to Ireland, she withdrew the naval units—Bantry Bay was no longer a naval base—the vessels were gone—but gone also was the livelihood of the locality, gone in one night, so to speak.

I am not advocating large armies—nor an increase in the navy—though these mean good trade—but just indicating the very complexity of the problem of Disarmament, that may well cause State members of the League of Nations to go slowly; for the same position exists in those countries that produce armament—Krupps in Germany, Creusots in France—Armstrong-Whitworth of England.

The statesmen may well hesitate to increase unemployment by thou-

sands—which would follow the closing down of such industries.

There is another department known as the Traffic in arms—private firms that export arms and munitions to countries who do not produce, such as Persia, Poland, and small states—China. They need defensive weapons.

Thus the Armstrong-Whitworth firm was selling to Turkey—some twelve months later these very modern high-grade weapons were turned against the Anzacs in Gallipoli and British regiments in Iraq—that is, that British trains, British workers and British capital was destined to kill British soldiers. No doubt, the same is true of German firms trading with Russia, or U.S.A. and the Spaniards.

In 1919, the Allies negotiated the **China Arms Embargo**, by which eleven states agreed not to send arms or munitions to China until there should be a recognised government. Unfortunately, there were two omissions not noticed at the time—no mention was made of the air service—nor machinery for making munitions. Consequently, for some time Britain sold aeroplanes to China, and so did France—the Chinese Generals imported machinery for munitions.

Then Germany, Russia, and Czechoslovakia, did not sign the Embargo and were freely exporting to China; these countries captured the markets at the expense of the signatories. Then, early in 1928, Germany and Russia adhered—but the damage was done—the Chinese can make their own munitions. Also large profits were made by individuals and firms by smuggling armaments into China. Another attempt to control traffic in arms by the Treaty of St. Germain's, an undertaking by the producing countries that no state should export arms, except to recognised governments of other states.

Twenty-three States signed—but the Treaty of St. Germain's has never been ratified, because naturally, it must be all or none; in this case the U.S.A. refused to ratify, their reason being that it would debar the U.S.A. exporting arms to the small Latin American States of South America. None other States would sign.

Revolvers, rifles, explosives, aeroplanes and ships, may be for peace-

ful purposes or can be directed to war—these cannot be controlled.

There is another aspect—some firms in the world have made fortunes out of supplying arms to China and Latin American countries—but how does this compare with loss of markets to the whole world through the unsettled conditions of these states.

Ladies, I have dwelt somewhat lengthily on this all-important question of Reduction—because all of us are apt to become pessimistic about the League of Nations and abolition of war—perhaps, in the first days we allowed expectation to vault beyond the realm of possibilities; we certainly did not know the complexity of the problem nor the economic and industrial ramification of the trade and traffic in arms.

But while these matters are too high for us, and New Zealand does not manufacture war munitions—yet there is very definite work for each of us.

We can sow the seeds of amity and goodwill towards other nations, even though their standards and their values differ from the Anglo-Saxon ones—when we read of violent crimes of a country, we can just think of those recorded in this small Dominion, and realise that such bear no proportion to the law-abiding intellectual classes of that particular country. We can call to mind the great contribution made to our civilisation by each and several nations of the known world, and thereby become citizens of the new world.

ALCOHOL, A MEDICINE.

In 1890, annual cost of wine and spirits per occupied bed in the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh was 10/- for spirits and 2/10½d. for wines. In 1908, the annual cost was 1/- per head for spirits and nothing for wines.

In 1862, cost of alcohol for the year in seven largest and most important of the London hospitals was a little under £8,000, but in 1902, it was under £3,000, though number of patients was much increased.

In 1894, cost of stimulants in hospitals belonging to Metropolitan Asylums Board was 1/4 per head; in 1904, it was only 4d. a head.

ONLY A DRINK.

A window—a narrow window, set in a gray stone wall

Where only a straying sunbeam through iron bars can fall.

A window that looks on a courtyard, cheerless and bleached and bare,

On the high steel gates with their massive locks—and the warder standing there.

There's a face at the narrow window, wistful and white and thin.

With a look in the boyish eyes of blue that tells of an ache within.

A look of regret for the wasted years for the youth that is slipping away.

A look of shame for a reckless deed that darkened a summer day.

Only a drink with the boys, what harm? Then out in the busy throng.

He turns his car with a careless hand and speeds on his way along.

Faster! Faster! His hot young blood now burns with a mountain glow.

Speed! Speed! The demon within him cries: "faster, faster go."

A flash—a jar—and a baby's scream—Ah, he is sober now.

He raises the tiny lifeless form and touches it's snowy brow.

Only a drink with the boys, but, all his life he must wear—

The Mark of Cain, where his Mother's lips blessed, as they rested there.

—Edith B. Henderson.

GOOD CITIZENSHIP DEPARTMENT.

447 Durham Street,
Christchurch,
8th March, 1929.

Dear Sisters,

Just a few lines to remind you that the time for the School Committee Elections is drawing near. The approximate date given is 22nd April. All Unions, even the smallest ones, can take an active interest in this important branch of our work. Nomination forms must be in the hands of the Chairman of the Committee a week before the Householders' meeting. Verbal nominations can be accepted only in the case of districts in which the average attendance for the previous year was less than 240.

Many Unions report members on School Committees during the past year. One Union has four members on their Committee—one of whom is Chairwoman! Can any Union beat this record this coming year?

I do hope that the results of the coming election will show a big increase in the number of White Ribboners returned on School Committees throughout the Dominion. Here's hoping!

Yours in service,

NELLIE BLACKWELL.

Will Unions please send a postcard to the Editor, telling how many women were elected on School Committees in their neighbourhood?—(Ed., W.R.).

A woman has been looking up some mistakes, and she finds that:
When a plumber makes a mistake he charges twice for it.

When a lawyer makes a mistake he has a chance to try the case all over again.

When a carpenter makes a mistake it means an "extra."

When an electrician makes a mistake he blames it on "induction," because nobody knows what that is.

When a doctor makes a mistake he buries it.

When a judge makes a mistake it becomes a law of the land.

When a preacher makes a mistake nobody knows the difference.

But when a home-builder makes a mistake he usually has to live with it for the rest of his life.

News of the Union.

Report Promptly—Write in Ink—On
One Side of Paper.

AUCKLAND.—Mar. 5. Opening meeting of the year; good attendance; visitors welcomed from Napier, Hamilton, and South Australia; Mrs Cook presided. Remits to Convention were discussed. Votes of sympathy were passed to members who had suffered bereavement during the recess. A donation was passed to the work of the Loyal Temperance Legion carried on by Mrs Kasper, and a tribute paid to the excellent work she was doing. Mrs Cook gave a message of encouragement to the members, and urged them to stand fast in the Lord, in spite of all that seemed to discourage in the work. An inspiring and helpful address was given by Rev. A. S. Wilson, urging the necessity of a greater spirit of intercession in our work, and the prayer was the only power to overthrow the hosts of evil.

ASHBURTON.—Mar. 5. Sister Mildred, Vice-President, presided; attendance was encouraging, the devotional exercises helpful and inspiring. Votes of sympathy in bereavement were passed with Mrs Jos. Watson and family, Mr and Mrs John Watson, Mr and Mrs J. Lilley. Letters of cheer and sympathy to be sent to Mrs Boag, Mrs W. McLean, Mrs J. Moore, and Mrs F. Wills. Sir Joseph Ward and Hon. W. B. Taverner wrote acknowledging letters of appreciation in Cabinet's refusing to grant a Brewer's License in Ashburton. Christchurch Union sent congratulations on victory gained. Decided that Miss Jennie Street be asked to speak at our June meeting. Sister Mildred appointed Superintendent of Young People's Department. Mrs Robinson submitted report of S.C.D. Executive on February 12th, and was accorded a vote of thanks. Tea was served, and a profitable time spent in studying the Constitution of our Organisation. Decided to assist No-License Council in electing candidates pledged to refuse Licenses, on Licensing Committee.

BLenheim.—Feb. 5. Good attendance. Mrs W. J. Girling elected Treasurer. A very inspiring and instructive address was given by the Rev. G. F. Stockwell. The retiring Treasurer was presented with a leather hand-bag, as a token of love and appreciation.

Feb. 16. A very successful and enjoyable Cradle Roll Picnic at Waterlea Park, with ideal weather. About 120 children and a number of babies were present, also quite a number of mothers, members of the Union and visitors. Lollie scrambles, races and games were arranged for the children, each receiving a gift. The ladies in charge had a busy time, when the party formed a large circle on the grass, in the shade of the trees, for tea. Mrs Braddock, Cradle Roll Superintendent, and her Committee, deserve great credit for the splendidly-arranged Picnic, and for the work done in connection with same.

Feb. 19. Frances Willard Day celebrated at the residence of Mrs W. Jackson; 21 members present. A very interesting paper on "The Life of Frances Willard," read by Mrs H. Braddock. Mrs V. Underhill appointed district, and Mrs W. M. Smith local delegate to Convention. Some very interesting impromptu speeches were given by members on the following subjects:—"Horse Racing," "Gambling," "Girls Smoking," "Short Hair for Women," "League of Nations," "Women Police," etc. One new member.

Mar. 5. Good attendance. Remits for Convention thoroughly discussed. A Prepared Speech Competition was arranged, and a prize awarded for best speech; points given for subject and elocution. Mrs J. Stewart's subject: "Is our World as good as it ought to be or might be?" Mrs A. Mills: "Example." Mrs Goslin: "Home." Mrs W. J. Girling: "Changes in the World." All the subjects were most interesting, and the prize was won by Mrs A. Mills. Afternoon tea dispensed.

CHEVIOT.—Mar. 1. Mrs Clifford in the chair; fair attendance. Vote of thanks passed to Rev. Jardine for his inspiring address from the pulpit. Mrs Clifford was elected delegate to Convention. Two new members were initiated. Afternoon tea served.

CARTERTON.—Feb. 6. Attendance fairly good; Mrs Tyler, Vice-President, presided. Miss Braithwaite, from Auckland, opined that while Prohibition was assured, it would not come in the way we were looking for it, but in God's own way. Mrs Butler elected delegate to Dominion Convention. Snowball Teas or Suppers to be given a trial, as a means for raising funds; left with individual members to arrange as convenient. Hostesses, Mesdames Vennell and Rodgers.

Mar. 6. President presided; small attendance. Mrs Hurley appointed delegate to Convention. Three Snowball Teas were promised, hostesses arranging their own dates. Chief business of the afternoon was consideration of subjects to be dealt with at the forthcoming Convention. Decided to vote for the name of "Little White Ribboners," in place of "Cradle Roll." Miss Eunice Liddell officiated as Organist. Hostesses for afternoon were Mrs Shirley and Mrs Tyler. A Shop Day to be held on 5th April.

COLLINGWOOD.—Feb. 22. President was elected as delegate to Convention. Remits for the Convention were separately discussed and opinions voiced. Mrs Jamieson explained the need of help towards the Headquarter's Building Fund. Mrs Jamieson trying to get a Cradle Roll started.

CHRISTCHURCH.—Feb. 13. Miss Henderson presided over a good attendance. Congratulations to the Ashburton Union on the decision of the Cabinet refusing to grant a Brewer's License to that district. In connection with the increased Membership Campaign, members were asked to attend Berwick Street and Trinity Congregational Church, where special services would be held and an appeal for members would be made. Decided to present four charts to the Primary Schools in the city. A number of remits from the National Council of Women were discussed and passed.

Feb. 27. Miss Henderson presided. Letter of thanks to the Rev. Gardner Miller for his splendid address on Sunday, February 23rd, also the other ministers who had made a special appeal in connection with the Membership Campaign. It being Frances Willard Day, Sister Ruth Fawcett gave a most interesting address on "Missionary Work in Egypt," where she spent some time last year. Two delegates appointed to Convention.

CHURCH RALLY OF W.C.T.U.

On Sunday, February 24th, about one hundred members of the W.C.T.U. attended service. The Rev. D. Gardner Miller welcoming them, said he was delighted to see so many present, and considered it an honour to do some little thing to help in their present Membership Campaign. They were doing a great work in the cleansing of our society. They must seek no rest until this beautiful land was girded by the "White Ribbon," the symbol of purity. There were 2,000 members in Canterbury and 7,000 in New Zealand, and were backed by 83,000 women, when, prior to the last poll, they petitioned Parliament for a two-issue ballot paper—the Union was represented in 57 countries, with a total membership of over a million. The minister took his reading from the 1 Corinthians, 13th chapter, which he described as "The Hymn of Love," and gave an address on "The Hand that Rocks the Cradle," paying a great tribute to all womanhood.

DANNEVIRKE.—Feb. 14. Mrs Walker presiding, seven members being present. Mrs Sharpley read the balance-sheet, which was satisfactory. Afternoon tea was handed round. Mrs Marshall, Salvation Army Officer, spoke a few words on her work, which was much appreciated.

EPSOM.—Feb. 26. Fair attendance, presided over by Mrs Pirrett, our newly-elected President. Several apologies for absence through sickness. Full finance report given and adopted. Arrangements made to have Temperance Chart placed in local schools as soon as possible. Most of the time was

devoted to consideration of remits for Convention, and our delegate, Mrs Pirrett, was instructed how to vote for same. Good collection taken up for funds.

EDEN.—Feb. 5. Mrs Hayr presided over a fair attendance. Mrs Lee-Cowie explained the Dominion Convention, and also spoke on Frances Willard and other great Leaders. One new member initiated, and one transferred from Ponsby. Afternoon tea was served.

Feb. 20. Mrs Hayr presided; 12 present. As the Methodist Ladies' Guild were holding a meeting in the same building, our President was granted a few minutes to make an appeal to those present to link up with our world-wide Organisation, at the same time explaining its aims and objects and stressing the importance of the work. Our President and Secretary were appointed to wait on the Master of Mount Eden Public School, and present the set of charts when they come to hand. Plans of work, including the possibility of starting a Band of Hope in Mt. Eden Road were discussed; the organising of the latter was left in the hands of the Executive. A letter of grateful thanks for donation from the Secretary of Willard Home. Mrs Johnston was appointed delegate to Convention. Mrs Craig, of New Plymouth, transferred, was welcomed. Afternoon tea served.

FENCOURT.—Mrs Simpson presided; fair attendance. A free-will collection taken up to help towards the Cradle Roll Day, realized 11s. 2½d.

Feb. 21. There was a large gathering of mothers, babies, and friends. Miss McLay addressed the meeting. A Xmas tree had been provided, from which each child received a present. We have 51 babies on the Roll. There was a competition that caused much merriment, "Ice that will not melt." During the afternoon, songs and recitations helped to pass the time all too soon. At the close afternoon tea was served, and President thanked Miss McLay for her helpful address.

GORE.—Feb. 26. Mrs Harper, President, in the chair. Temperance charts will be placed in Gore, East Gore, Croydon and McNab Schools, as soon as they arrive. Mrs Smith, District President, elected delegate to Convention. A collection was taken for Missionary Fund. As it was Frances Willard Day, a short account of her home as it now is, was read.

HASTINGS.—Feb. 27. Good attendance of members; two visitors. President, Mrs Hickmott, in the chair. Mrs Sutherland read a splendid paper on "The Walk to Emmaus." Mrs Alexander, Wairoa, gave a short account of their Union, and extended greetings. The Treasurer, Mrs Baumgart, read the 1928 balance-sheet, which showed 75 paid-up members and a small credit balance. Three more subscriptions were received at the meeting. Frances Willard Day was observed, by reference to the noble life and work of our Founder.

HAWERA.—Members of the Hawera and Normanby W.C.T.U., with friends, gathered in large numbers at a Garden Party, held in the grounds of Mr and Mrs L. C. Corry, Glover Road. The weather was all that could be desired. Mrs E. S. Emmett, President, welcomed the visitors, expressing the hope that all members would work well together during the coming year. A stall, laden with all kinds of produce, was under the charge of Mrs Ollernshaw, who did good business. Afternoon tea was served under a large, spreading tree and on the lawns. Members of the Salvation Army Band gave several musical items, which were much appreciated. At the close, Mrs Emmett thanked Mrs Corry for lending her beautiful grounds, also the members of the Band for their music. Three new members enrolled.

HAMILTON.—Mar. 7. It was quite encouraging to see such a large gathering of ladies for the first meeting of the year, and keen interest was shown in the remits that are to come up for discussion during Convention. The President welcomed three ladies transferred from Granby to Hamilton Union. Mrs Seal, quite a recent member to our Union, will be our delegate to Convention. Miss Ambury reported on Cradle Roll work; 364 babies on the Roll. Mrs Craig, who has put in years of earnest, faithful work for our branch, is now President of the Hamilton East branch. We

are sorry indeed to lose her, but she will be a tower of strength to Hamilton East.

JOHNSONVILLE.—Feb. 21. Good attendance. Mrs Goff sang a solo very beautifully. The Rev. A. Stevenson gave the address, which was very much appreciated. After, remits for Convention were discussed, then afternoon tea. A collection was taken on behalf of the Willard Home, which amounted to £1 11s. Resolved next month to hold a Cradle Roll Afternoon. A hymn and Benediction brought a most enjoyable meeting to a close.

KAIAPOL.—Feb. 27. Pay-Up Social. The President, Mrs Vickery, in the chair. Songs and recitations were rendered by members, and three new members were initiated. Decided that Mrs Drury speak at our next meeting on "Canterbury and England in 1889," and "Canterbury and New Zealand in 1929." Mrs Rinaldi elected delegate to Convention.

LOWER HUTT.—Feb. 27. The President in the chair; 26 present. A letter of thanks was read from the Willard Home for donation received. Received word that seven wall charts would now be placed in the schools. Mrs Aldersley and Mrs Andersen were appointed our representatives on the Hospitality Committee. Decided to forward what funds we had raised from our Campaign and special funds, to Convention. Being Frances Willard Day, a resume of her life was given by Mrs Mouatt, and at the close, a collection was taken up for the Maori Fund. A delegate was appointed for Convention, and all arrangements made. Our Cradle Roll Afternoon on the 6th February was a great success, 65 mothers being present, and a number of children. Several items on the gramophone were given, also solos and recitations. Refreshments were handed round, and an enjoyable afternoon spent.

LEVIN.—Feb. 16. Splendid meeting; Mrs Cummins, President, presided, 22 members being present. A hearty welcome was extended to Mrs Kennerley and Mrs Sayers, of the Carterton Union, and to the local Army officers. Election of officers taken by Mrs Peryman as follows:—Pres., Mrs Cummins; Sec., Mrs Young; Treas., Mrs Kennerley. Mrs Cummins was elected a delegate to Convention. Mrs Peryman gave a very helpful and inspiring address. One new member. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mrs Peryman for her splendid address. Afternoon tea was served.

LINWOOD.—Feb. Good attendance; President in the chair. Miss Bentham gave an inspiring address, and received a hearty vote of thanks. A solo was sung by Mrs Craze. Mrs Mackie received Star of Honour for gaining twelve new members; 24 new members joined. Afternoon tea was served.

MT. ALBERT.—Feb. 4. Mrs Bruce, President, presided. There was a very good attendance. The meeting opened with Scripture reading and prayer. Decided to hold a Bring and Buy Afternoon on 8th March, to raise funds to help defray expenses of delegate to Convention.

MAKOTUKU.—Feb. 19. Mrs Golley presided. Miss Olsen read us a very interesting paper on "T. E. Taylor." Decided to hold the Cradle Roll Picnic on March 2nd. Afternoon tea dispensed.

MAUNGATUROTO.—Feb. 27. At the Manse; Mrs Grice presided. Mrs T. Flower, from Raetihi Union, was welcomed; elected President. Secretary reported letter of thanks from Mrs Lee-Cowie for message of sympathy. Temperance charts will be to hand shortly. Discussion took place re forming L.T.L. or other movement for young people. Treasurer read annual balance-sheet, showing small credit balance. Afternoon tea kindly provided by Mrs T. Flower.

MIRAMAR.—Feb. An "At Home" at the President's house; a number of members and friends were present. Various sums of money were allocated, and a delegate was chosen to Convention. Mrs Millar was elected Treasurer. A new member initiated. Mrs Rutter, a visitor to New Zealand, addressed the meeting on some of her experiences of travel in America. She began by referring to the room of Miss Frances Willard, which is kept exactly as it used to be, with many articles of interest. An enjoyable afternoon tea was handed round, and a vote of thanks passed to speaker.

NORMANBY.—Feb. 13. Home meeting at residence of Mrs Mueli; attendance fair. President in the chair. Correspondence

from Minister of Railways, Alliance, District President and District Secretary, read. Donation of £1 6s. to be sent to the Willard Home. Mrs Irvine appointed delegate to the Dominion Convention. Resolutions to be dealt with at Dominion Convention were discussed. Miss McLay addressed the meeting, which was very much appreciated. Afternoon tea served by our hostess.

NORTH BRIGHTON.—Feb. 19. Miss B. M. Harband presided; good attendance. Mrs Dixon presented report of Evangelistic work. Vote of sympathy with Mrs G. Beaton in loss of her father. One new member. President delivered an address on "Narcotic Poisons." Arrangements made for placing of Temperance charts in local schools. Mrs D. Goldman appointed delegate to Convention. Resolved to hold Mothers' Meetings. Invitation accepted to take part in Trinity Congregational Church Service on W.C.T.U. Sunday, 24th February, when address is to be delivered by Rev. D. Gardiner Miller on "The Hand that Rocks the Cradle."

NEW PLYMOUTH.—Feb. 13. Willard Day observed. Social held in the Seamen's Rest, about thirty present. Miss Young spoke on "The British and Foreign Bible Society," urging the importance of this branch of Christian service. Mr Valentine gave a delightful sketch of the life of Frances Willard. There were one or two musical items, and afternoon tea was dispensed by the Committee. The collection amounted to 17s. 6d.

Feb. 23. A Cradle Roll Picnic was held in Whiteley Hall, about 26 mothers and friends meeting with the little ones. Games were indulged in by the children. Afternoon tea was served in the school-room. After tea, Miss McLay told a very interesting story to the children, pointing out to them that the body must be kept pure and free from anything that may harm it. Miss McLay spoke to the mothers upon the great privileges of womanhood and motherhood. A vote of thanks to Miss McLay.

Feb. 23. The young people of the various Bible Classes had been invited to meet Miss McLay. Owing to counter-attractions, there was a very poor attendance. Miss McLay spoke of the origin and aim of the W.C.T.U., and telling of the work of the Y's in various places and of the training it gives them for work later on in Adult Unions, or even in the Mission Field. The President thanked Miss McLay for her very interesting address, and regretted the smallness of the meeting. At an after meeting, a Y. branch was formed at Fitzroy.

Feb. 25. Mrs Hughes presided. Miss Drew unanimously elected President. Mrs Jemison Treasurer, and Mrs K. Jones Cor. Secretary. A letter of thanks for sympathy in bereavement was read from Captain Waller. Mrs Bottrill's resignation accepted with regret, and a letter of sympathy sent. A letter of sympathy to be sent to Mr Moss (Advisory Board) on the death of his brother. Mrs Jemison elected delegate to Convention. Miss McLay's subject was: "What is our Aim for our Union," her keynote being, "Jesus in the Midst," as our inspiration in all our undertakings. She specially gave a word of warning as to the use of medicated wines, and left as a suggestion the great work of a dry public house. A vote of thanks to Miss McLay. Three new members initiated.

NEW BRIGHTON.—Feb. 21. Good attendance; Mrs Hall presided. The President expressed a beautiful New Year greeting to the members. Miss B. M. Harband took "Narcotics" as the subject of her Scientific Temperance talk. As the result of a Membership Campaign, 20 new members have been enrolled during the month. Mrs N. C. Fraser elected delegate. Decided that a strong protest be sent to the Town Clerk re the foreshore being used by persons of undesirable character, who conduct games of chance that foster the spirit of gambling. An invitation was accepted to attend the Trinity Congregational Church on Sunday, February 24th, when the Rev. Gardiner Miller will hold a special W.C.T.U. Service. Congratulations were extended to the newly-formed West End Y. Branch. Decided to hold a "Waist Line" Social on March 21st, and to invite the Y. Branches in the district. Essays on "The Life of Frances Willard," written by the scholars

of Standards 5 and 6, were read. Letters of sympathy to sick members.

NAPIER.—Feb. 14. Mrs McAlister presided. A silent motion of sympathy passed to the relatives of Miss Eva Moreta, who was drowned at Gisborne. Miss Eva was a member of the Y. Branch that was formed after Convention. Mrs Donnelly appointed delegate to Convention. A letter read from Mrs Leask, who is in Auckland. Mrs Hull read extracts from the "Life of Frances Willard."

Mar. 6. Mrs McAlister presided. Various matters dealing with Convention were discussed, and delegates given a free-hand in all voting, also asked to make sundry purchases of hymn books, literature, etc. A vote of sympathy passed to Mrs Warren and family, who have recently been bereaved of husband and father. On March 1st, a "Shop Day" to defray delegates' expenses was held, the result being sufficient to send two. A vote of thanks passed to all who helped. Balance-sheet read and adopted; quite a creditable balance in hand. Votes of thanks passed to the gentlemen who so kindly prepare and audit from year to year.

OTAHUHU.—Mar. 7. There was a very good attendance; the President, Mrs Greenwood, in the chair. Mrs Venables took for her subject, "He Knoweth that Way that we Take." Social Afternoon; musical items, and recitation was given by Mrs Eccersall, Baptist Minister's wife; one she gave when she was ten years old at a Competition for the W.C.T.U., which she was given a prize for. Remits discussed for Convention.

OTAKI.—Mar. 5. Thirteen members present; Miss Lee presided, and gave a brief inspirational address: Col. 1:29 (Moffatt's translation) "I labour (proclaiming Christ) . . . striving for it with the Divine energy which is a power within me." Members urged to do their utmost to extend the work of the Union in this district. A most interesting syllabus submitted and adopted. Meetings to be held on first Tuesday of the month, with occasional evening meetings. Decided to send a delegate to Dominion Convention. Remits to be dealt with at Convention were brought forward and discussed. School charts for Scientific Temperance lessons were displayed and discussed. One new member received by transfer.

OAMARU.—Feb. 11. Resolved to co-operate in whatever local arrangements are made for the visit of Miss Jennie Street. Decided to rescind the motion at Annual meeting re contribution to the Ministers' Association Prize Fund for Bible Classes in Public Schools, and forward the usual gift of 10s. It was found to be impossible to send a delegate to Convention this year. The President was appointed to see the Plunket Society President and obtain information about the proposed Rest Room, and report to next meeting. Superintendents' were appointed as follows:—Hospital Visitor, Miss Johnston; Evangelistic, Mrs J. J. Clarke; Social, Mrs Corlett and Miss Johnston.

PONSONBY.—Feb. 7. A Farewell Luncheon to Mrs Lee-Cowie, who is leaving for Honolulu. Mr Folkner addressed the meeting on behalf of the Temperance Alliance; he said how they had appreciated the good work done by Mrs Lee-Cowie. Mrs Read presented Mrs Cowie with a parasol, and Miss Kent Johnson presented her with a bouquet. Mrs Cowie, in responding, thanked the Union for their gifts and goodwill, and gave a very helpful address, urging all to work together for the cause of God and humanity. Miss McLay, Dominion Organiser, said that Mrs Cowie had been a great inspiration to the Unions of the Dominion. Mrs Leask, President of the Napier Union, also paid a tribute to Mrs Cowie's help. Mrs Cowie hopes to return about October.

Feb. 21. Miss Read presided over a fair attendance. Frances Willard Day. Mrs Turnbull gave a very interesting address on "The Life of Frances Willard." Remits for Dominion Convention were also discussed; some were passed by the Union, while others were left to the discretion of our delegate.

PAPANUI.—Feb. 14. Mrs Simpson presided; good attendance. Mrs Drury gave a very interesting address on "The Part Woman should play in the World for the Benefit of all Classes." Election of officers: Pres., Mrs Simpson; Sec., Mrs Merrin; Cor. Sec., Mrs Wright; Treas., Mrs Bond; Vice-

Pres., Mesdames Carr, Hopper, and Smith; Cradle Roll, Mrs Dalmer; Press Reporter, Mrs Tillman; Flower Mission and Band of Hope, Mrs Kruse; "White Ribbon," Mrs Carr; Notable Days, Mrs Barnes; Ways and Means, Mrs McCullough; Organist, Mrs Hayton; Evangelistic, Mrs Smith; Scientific Temperance, Mrs Hawker; Social Committee, Mrs Kruse, Mrs Damer, and Mrs S. Smith. Decided to hold a Bring and Buy Afternoon next month.

PETONE.—Feb. 5. Fifteen members present; Mrs Carter presiding. Mrs Ashby, of Onehunga, was welcomed. A vote of thanks was accorded Miss Collie for a dozen hymn books, also Mrs Carter for a donation. Decided to have a short report from Superintendents of various offices at each meeting. Suggested to hold a Book Afternoon during the year towards the Library. Mrs Battersby elected delegate to Convention. Cor. Secretary advised to send a letter of condolence to Mrs Rinaldi, of Kaiapoi, in the loss of her son. Arrangements were made for a Bring and Buy Sale, to be held for Willard Home on the 29th.

Feb. 20. A Bring and Buy Sale, in aid of Willard Home. A very good collection of produce, cakes, jams, and fancy goods, and very few articles were left over. A parcel of clothing is also being forwarded to the Home. One new member was initiated. Afternoon tea was served.

PAEROA.—Rally at the residence (Komata) of the President, Mrs P. R. Hubbard, who gave a warm welcome to the 50 members and friends present. Among the visitors were Revs. W. E. Pickering and J. Lowden, the Lady Ensign and Captain of the Salvation Army. Mr Nagel (Evangelist) sang and spoke briefly, to allow Mr Leckie to speak on the power of God in a redeemed life. There was a musical and elocutionary programme, which was contributed to by Misses Ratliff, Raffil, and Mesdames Catton, Mit-hell, and Gilmour. A presentation of perfume and spray was made to Mrs Pickering in appreciation of her faithful membership. Her departure is much regretted. Mrs J. W. Cocks, Secretary, was elected delegate to Convention. Seven new members were inducted. Dainty afternoon tea was provided by the President. Altogether an uplifting afternoon.

PUKEHUA.—Feb. 21. Our first meeting after the holidays; thirteen were present. Two members have moved, and letters have been sent to the Unions where their new home is, as we do not want any lost. We could not send a delegate to Convention, but are sending for quite a number of Hand-books, as members are anxious to know more about the work of the W.C.T.U.

RYAL BUSH.—Feb. 13. Eight present. Reports on year's work were read; there are 20 members and 146 names on the Cradle Roll. Deep regret expressed at the death of Mrs Hamilton, and letter of sympathy sent to Mr Hamilton. Officers elected:—Pres., Mrs Wilson; Vice-Pres., Mrs Myron and Miss Smellie; Sec. and Treas., Mrs Gaitt; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Ogren. Decided to have a Garden Party and a Bring and Buy Sale on March 9th. Reported that Ryal Bush had won Cradle Roll Banner, also the Table-cloth, presented to Union obtaining most new members. Mrs Ogren had won the Star of Honour for securing 12 new members.

REEFTON.—Mar. 3. Mrs Webb, President, occupied the chair. We were pleased to have her with us again after her illness. Fair attendance. We had a Bring and Buy Afternoon for local funds. Letters from Miss Harband and Miss Henderson were read and discussed. Afternoon tea was served.

RICCARTON.—Feb. 21. Attendance good; Mrs C. W. Barrell presided. President read extract from August "White Ribbon" entitled, "The Alcohol." Several letters of thanks were received for assistance to various organisations at Christmas time. Letter from Mrs Lee-Cowie (enclosing letter from Doctor's wife in India) was read, thanking the Union for singlets sent. Literature from Mrs Wilson, Superintendent Social and Moral Hygiene, was distributed. Members were invited to a service in Trinity Congregational Church, to hear the Rev. Gardiner Miller preach on "The Hand that Rocks the Cradle." Visitor from Tasmania welcomed.

and, in responding, told us of her experiences in W.C.T.U. work in Tasmania. Mrs Pitt appointed delegate to Convention. President gave interesting address on "The Life of Josephine Butler." One new member initiated.

RAETIHI.—Feb. Mrs Griffin, President, in the chair; very good attendance; one new member proposed. It being Frances Willard Day, Mrs Stanley and Mrs W. H. Scarrow read extracts from her life, which were very interesting. Letter and extracts from Mrs Lee-Cowie re letter of sympathy sent.

RANGIORA.—Feb. Mrs Thwaites presided over a good attendance. One delegate was appointed to Convention, and a number of remits to be brought forward were fully discussed and voted on. Reported that the Ministers of some of the local Churches had agreed to give special addresses on "The Work of the Union," at the morning services on Sunday, March 10th, and arrangements were made for the distribution of leaflets bearing on the work at these services.

SPREYDON.—Feb. 12. Fair attendance; Mrs Burley presided. Decided to order some literature, to be distributed by the Y. Branch. Mrs Woodcock elected Secretary. Mrs Bowden, assistant Secretary. Mrs Woodcock elected delegate to Convention. Mrs Voss read an interesting paper on "The Life of Frances Willard." One new member enrolled.

SOUTH INVERCARGILL.—Feb. 12. To the work! To the work! Such was the spirit prevailing among Temperance workers of the Southern branch at their first meeting of the year. Mrs McKinnon spoke on "Prophecy" and "Fulfillment." Mrs Pasley made feeling reference to the death of Miss Dryburgh and Mr Andrew Cowie, members standing in silence as a mark of respect to each deceased. Letters of condolence to Mrs Cowie and to the relatives of Miss Dryburgh. Miss McCallum elected delegate to Convention. "Launch out into the Deep," was the theme of the President's address, earnestly given, earnestly received.

SOUTH DUNEDIN.—Feb. 14. Presided over by Mrs Williamson. Votes of sympathy were passed to a member in ill-health, and to the relatives of a deceased member. A member transferring from another Union, was made welcome. A short talk by the President was based on the "Sayings of Christ," showing that our wills should be in subjection to the Will of God. Convention business discussed.

SOUTH BRIGHTON.—Mar. 5. Mrs Weavers in the chair; attendance good. Temperance fact given. "Is Alcohol a Stimulant?" Decided to hold Cradle Roll Picnic March 9th; reported 43 children on the Roll. President read paper on "The Life and Work of Frances Willard." Two Temperance charts placed in South Brighton and Bromley Schools. Remits for Convention brought forward and discussed. Mrs Weavers appointed delegate. Afternoon tea served. One new member initiated.

STRATFORD.—Feb. 12. Sixteen members present; Mrs Gordon presided. Miss McLay gave a very interesting and helpful address on "Christ in Our Midst;" she also gave us a short talk on "The Work of the Y. Branch." Two new members were initiated. A W.C.T.U. Rally was arranged for on the 27th of February, at Ngaere Gardens.

TIMARU.—Feb. 26. Willard Day; very large attendance of members and friends. Mrs Norrie presided and welcomed Mrs Don, who gave a most interesting address on "Child Welfare," bespeaking for all children a clean and healthy birthright. Frequent references were made to the sayings of Frances Willard, and Mrs Butcher sang the hymn composed by her. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mrs Don, who later initiated sixteen new members. The President and Secretary were appointed delegates to Convention. Musical items and supper added to the pleasure of the evening.

TAKAPUNA.—Feb. 7. Cradle Roll Picnic in Kitchener Park. Good gathering of mothers, friends, and children, were addressed by Rev. Hinton. He urged all to keep on fighting for the Temperance Cause, especially the mothers, in the upbringing of their children. Auckland Cradle Roll and "Y" Superintendent also addressed the meeting. Mrs Richards, our President, and Mrs Winstone, Cradle Roll Superintendent,

also spoke. Tea was served under the trees, and children amused with swings.

THAMES.—Mar. 6. Our new President, Mrs Singleton, presided; 16 ladies present. We have received four Medical Temperance charts, which will be placed in the local schools. Adjutant Radcliffe, of the Salvation Army, gave a very fine address on "The Effects of Liquor on the People of India." Afternoon tea served. One new member.

TEMPLETON.—Feb. 7. Mrs Richards, of Linwood, presided. Pledge was repeated by members. Decided we have a Cradle Roll. Mrs Clinton and Mrs Clark appointed Cradle Roll Superintendents. One new member gained. Afternoon tea handed round.

WAITARA.—Feb. 15. Miss Bicheno in the chair. Frances Willard Memorial. Vote of sympathy passed to the relatives of the late Mrs Martha J. Bayly, and also to the Rev. and Mrs Kedgley and family in the loss of their son, Henry; Mrs Bayly being a very old member of our Union, and Mrs Kedgley a past Vice-President. Hopes were expressed for Mrs Smart's speedy recovery to health. Arrangements for Miss McLay's visit left in hands of Secretary. Mrs B. C. Lawrence was nominated President. One new member was welcomed.

Feb. 26. Miss McLay conducted the meeting, installed the new President, Mrs B. C. Lawrence, and initiated two new members. Miss McLay took as her first subject, "Jesus in the Midst," and later gave instructions as to new work, and on the general progress and aims of work in the world. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the speaker for her inspiring address. Mrs Clayton, Adjutant Sanson, and Captain Blaikie, were elected Vice-Presidents. Afternoon tea was enjoyed.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL.—Feb. Good attendance. A hearty welcome from the President, full of hopefulness for the work of the coming year. Letter received from Secretary of Alliance, saying the Temperance wall charts were now ready for the donors to distribute to the five schools selected by them. A motion of sincere sympathy with Miss Anderson in her illness was passed, a letter to be forwarded to her. Mrs Turner elected delegate to the Annual Convention. Mrs Remington and Mrs Moxham are to represent the Union on the Wellington Area of the New Zealand Alliance. Appreciation of the work of the members in connection with the Women's Auxillary of the Wellington Hospital Board, has been received.

WELLINGTON.—Mar. 7. Usual monthly meeting; attendance rather small, owing to bad weather and other meetings clashing. Letter read, relative to a proposed Conference on Immigration Problems; Mesdames Hirst and Free appointed delegates to attend Conference. Various arrangements made for Annual Convention. Tickets for Entertainment handed to members for sale. Members asked to attend Reception on opening night, and to bring refreshments. One new member. Bring and Buy at close, realised over £1.

ALCOHOL! A MEDICINE??

Dr. Hograth, President of B.M.A.: "Much intemperance was caused by the flippant way doctors ordered alcohol." He believed that "the profession was more conscious now than ever, that it ought to be more careful in prescribing alcohol."

We are constantly expressing our conviction that many people, who regard themselves as moderate drinkers, are unconsciously laying the foundation of disease.—Lancet.

"Y" PAGE.

DEVOTIONAL.

Reading—Luke 19:1-10. Text, verse 3: "And he sought to see Jesus, who He was; and could not for the press, because he was little of stature."

How many people there are who cannot see Jesus, just as Zaccheus could not see him, "for the press." The press in our everyday lives. Pressure of home duties; of church and social activities; of business life; of material needs; how often and how effectively these throng around us, and we cannot see over or through them. We cannot see Jesus.

Zaccheus was "little of stature." How do we measure up in the spiritual life? Are we giants or dwarfs? How many people there are who are seriously handicapped in life by "littleness of stature" spiritually.

Zaccheus realised his handicap and what it was costing him, and he took immediate steps to get above it. He climbed into a sycamore tree—a high place. "And when Jesus came to the place He looked up and saw him, and said unto him, 'Zaccheus, make haste and come down; for to-day I must abide at thy house.'" The seeking sinner was found by the seeking Saviour; verse 3: "He sought to see Jesus;" verse 10: "For the Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

Our High Place is Prayer. In it we seek to see and to meet with Jesus. "Seek and ye shall find." Get above the press and throng. In prayer we shall grow to our full stature and our life shall be changed, enlarged, glorified.

Note the immediate change in Zaccheus. He who was the chief among the publicans, and rich. "And Zaccheus stood and said unto the Lord, 'Behold, Lord, I give'; what? the tenth, his due? No, 'the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold.'"

The essential thing in our life is that we shall see Jesus, and, like Zaccheus, receive Him. Then everything in our life, everything which affects our life, shall take its proper place—be adjusted. Our giving, of our means and of ourselves; our amusements; our place in His service; our attitude toward the heathen and toward our weaker brethren.—bound by the cruel chains of drunkenness—all shall fall into line with His Will, for—"He shall have dominion."

12 P.M.

Noon hour strikes—the whole world over, women's prayers ascend to Thee,

Offering their deep petitions that all lands may be set free

Once for all from Drink's dread shackles,

Never bound again to be.

True and firm in strong endeavour, In each heart and mind they voice:

"Drink's dominion **must** be banished, Ever then can we rejoice."

Heavenly eyes look down in kindness,

One who died to set us free

Urges us to right decision,

Reminds each one, "It was for Thee."

Oftentimes we wound or grieve Him,—say, "One glass will do no harm,"

Friend, we've watched that all too often, now we view it with alarm.

Pledge yourself this foe to conquer, Ripe the time, as ne'er before.

All our votes must be for Temperance,

Yes, we'll struggle more and more, Ever praying to our Father, firm and steadfast, hand in hand,

Right will win, with Drink abolished by our loyal Temperance Band.

—M.K.J.

THE EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL.

When the brain cells are partly deadened by poisons, they are not able to give proper attention to the messages of "feeling" sent from the different parts of the body along the sensory nerves. When a man is hungry, a glass of beer or wine will make him feel less uncomfortable, not because the beer or wine has fed his body—his body is just as much in need of food as before—but because it has made him less able to feel the discomforts of being hungry. When a man is tired a glass of beer or wine will make him feel less weary, not because it has helped his body to rest—it has, in fact, given him extra work to do—but because it has made him unable to feel how tired he really is. If he has a headache, or indigestion, or any kind of an ache or pain, a glass of some intoxicant will lessen his power to feel the pain, but it will do nothing to cure it. Now feelings of hunger, tiredness, discomfort, and pain are the ways in which the body warns us that there is something wrong, and if we are wise we pay careful attention to these warnings. If we feel hungry we eat, if we feel tired we rest, if we have a headache or a pain we try to find what has caused it, that we may cure it. Just to dull our senses so that we shall not be disturbed by the body's warnings is as stupid as putting cotton wool in your ears when walking along a busy road so that you may not be annoyed by the bells and horns of cycles and cars when you want to cross from one side to the other.

The false feeling of comfort given for a short time by intoxicating drinks is the chief reason why people like them so much, and why they believe they do them good. And when the dulling effects of the poisons have worn off, and people begin to feel out of sorts, they blame the weather, or their work, or their dinner—everything, in fact, but the one thing that is at fault, the drink that, while it was pretending to help them, was disturbing the working of every part of the body, and making matters worse than they were at the beginning.

Sometimes, when a baby is fretful and crying, some lazy or stupid person will give it a dose of Soothing Syrup. Soothing syrups contain a poison called opium, which, like alcohol, dulls the brain and deadens the power of feeling, and so the poor little baby becomes

quiet, not because its pain or trouble is cured, but because it is poisoned.

Intoxicating drinks are grown-up people's Soothing Syrups—something to quieten them when they are cross and out of sorts and tired. But if a man must have a drink to put him in a good temper every evening, or a woman must be often taking a glass of ale or wine to ease her headaches and tiredness, it shows there is something wrong in the way such people are living. They are going to bed too late, or they are eating the wrong kind of food, or they are trying to do more than they have strength to do; they always show that something is out of order. Intoxicating drinks do nothing to set these things right; they simply make it possible for a person to hide from himself for a little while the fact that he is not using his body fairly, while at the same time the poison they contain is gradually spoiling his body more than tiredness, over-work, and improper feeding could do.—Margaret Baker (from "Here's Health to You").

THE INSULTED PIG.

As well as I remember,
It happened in December,
That I strolled along the road in
mordent pride.
My heart began to flutter,
And I lay down in the gutter
And a pig came up and lay down by
my side.

My head was aching badly,
And the pig looked at me sadly,
Till a lady passing by was heard to
say,
"You can tell a man who boozes
By the company he chooses,"
When the pig got up and quickly
walked away.

A little girl had been to church for
the first time. On returning home,
her mother asked her what she
thought of church.

"I liked it very much," she re-
plied; "but there was one thing I
didn't think was fair."

"What was that, dear?" asked her
mother.

"Why one man did all the talking,
and then another man came round
and got all the money."

RIBBON WHITE.

Tune: "There's a Long, Long Trail."
Ribbon white, our emblem twining
Through a world of woe,
Bringing hope and gladness, shining
Everywhere we go.
From the deep and weary darkness
Of a drink-cursed strife,
Lifting souls into the bright light
Of a purer, better life.

Chorus.

Keep the Ribbon White a shining,
All through the land of your
dreams,
See behind the clouds the lining
Silver bright still gleams,
Keep the temperance flag still
waving,
Until your dreams all come true;
The force of evil braving
Through the W.C.T.U.

Purity, our motto ever;
God, our helper true;
Steadily advance, and never
Doubt His word to you.
Children, men and women, groaning
'Neath a load of care,
You can help to free them if you will
From Satan's tempting snare.
—From "Melbourne W.R. Signal."

Y REPORTS.

AUCKLAND.—Mar. 4. Miss Appleby pre-
sided over a fair attendance. Miss L.
Adams gave an address on "Letting the
Light Shine." Mrs Cook gave a helpful and
inspiring Temperance address. Two new
members were initiated. We were glad to
welcome the Superintendent of the Te
Kopuru "Y's," who was present. Miss Read,
Superintendent of "Notable Days," reminded
us that February 17th was Willard Day.
She read a poem, written in memory of
our great Leader. The social hour followed.

AUCKLAND.—On Monday evening, Feb-
ruary 11th, a Sacred Concert was given,
under the auspices of the Young People's
Christian Temperance Union, in the
Y.W.C.A., farewelling Mrs Lee-Cowie to her
new home in Honolulu. Mrs Lee-Cowie pre-
sided. The programme was so arranged by
Miss Gertrude Evans, to depict the "Life
of Christ" from Bethlehem to the "Better
Land." Miss Kent Johnson read chosen
verses of Scripture, and solos were sung by
Misses Nellie Wood, Ruby Gibson, Reta Mc-
Culley, Doreen Logan, Gertrude Evans, Miss
Petersen, Miss Kasper, and Mr Young, and
two male quartettes. Mrs Lee-Cowie gave
short addresses to link up the various items,
and so one could follow the outstanding
events in the "Life of Christ." During the
evening, a pretty scene was acted by two
of the young members, Misses R. Gawdie
and E. Geary. Dressed as ragged flower
girls, and carrying trays of flowers, they
sang, "Won't You Buy My Pretty Flowers?"
and buttonholes were thrown to the
audience, who heartily entered into the
spirit of the song and threw coins into a
sheet, held by four members of the Choir.
The money collected will go to the Willard
Orphans' Home, Palmerston North. A
vote of thanks was given by Miss Gertrude
Evans to the soloists and members of the
Choir for services so kindly given, and to
the pianist, Mrs Griminton. The meeting

closed with prayer and the Benediction, by
M. Manoa, from Samoa.

ARATAPU-TE KOPURU.—Feb. 12. First
meeting of year; good attendance. Miss
Rope, Vice-President in chair. Miss Martin
dale delegate to Dominion Convention.
Interesting address on "Life of Frances
Willard," given by Mrs Becken, "Y"
Superintendent. One new member. Social
hour and supper.

ARANUI.—Feb. 14. First annual meeting.
The annual report was read and adopted,
and officers elected:—Supt., Mrs McIlroy;
Pres., Mr C. Deans; Sec., Miss P. Leach;
Vice-Pres., Mr G. Holmes; Treas., Miss P.
McIlroy; Asst. Sec. and Treas., Miss M.
Dillon; Press Reporter, Mr W. Reed; W.R.
Agent, Miss H. Reed; General Committee,
Miss J. Wright, Miss H. Reed, Mr C. Loyd,
Mr E. W. Thorne, and Mr G. Holmes.

DUNEDIN.—Feb. 18. Miss Daisy Ritchie
appointed our delegate to Convention. Re-
solved that we have a few brief prayers
during devotions at each meeting, as we
cannot hold a prayer meeting as suggested
by Miss McLay. Remit sent to Convention.
"That Government be requested to grant
pensions to invalids, who are in every way
incapacitated from earning a livelihood."

RICCARTON.—Feb. 16. Evening took the
form of a social. A record attendance; 12
new members initiated. Musical items by
Miss D. Clements and friend. Supper was
served.

Feb. 23. Many members and friends en-
joyed the kind hospitality of Mrs T. E.
Taylor, at a combined "Y" Social at her
residence, Cashmere Hills. Speech by Rev.
Robertson, very much appreciated.

RAI VALLEY.—Sunday, 24th February,
our "Y's" held their first meeting, which
took the form of hymn and prayer; about
25 present, Miss V. Leov presiding. A very
interesting extract from Mrs Harrison Lee-
Cowie's life story, was very much ap-
preciated.

SYDENHAM.—Feb. 19. A successful
meeting. One new member initiated, and
the following officers were appointed:—
Supt., Mrs Gilmour; Pres., Miss M. Wilson;
Vice-Pres., Miss D. Withell and Mr F. N.
Cornwell; Sec., Miss I. Northcott; Treas.,
Miss M. Rigby; Reporter, Master L. Fox.
A gold medal, suitably engraved, was pre-
sented to Miss I. Northcott for enrolling
most members during the past year. Mrs
Gilmour complimented the branch on the
fine tone of the meetings held to date. The
Treasurer's report showed a substantial
credit balance for the past year. After the
meeting, games and refreshments were en-
joyed by all present.

STRATFORD.—Feb. 20. It was unani-
mously decided to form a Y branch. Miss
McLay explained the work. Officers elected:
Pres., Miss Ena Marsh; Sec., Miss Doris
Rogers; Supt., Mrs Davis.

Mar. 6. Model Meeting conducted by
Miss McLay. Officers elected:—Treas., Miss
Anscomer; Evangelistic Supt., Miss M.
Phillips; Medical Temperance, Miss Connie
Marsh; Organist, Miss Rona Pople. Miss
McLay and Mrs Phillips addressed the meet-
ing. A short programme by Mrs and Miss
Marsh and Mrs Davis, was followed by
supper.

WANGANUI NORTH.—Feb. 12. Sixteen
present, and a splendid meeting was enjoyed
by all. Bro. R. Hoffman led bright, brief
devotions, speaking shortly on "Steward-
ship." Miss Watts elected delegate to Con-
vention. Since last report, one of our very
active workers, Miss A. Sutton, has lost
her father. Miss M. Marshall read a splen-
did essay on "Opportunities," for which she
deserves much credit. Another member also
read a story from a book; this was likewise
enjoyed. The meeting was also informed
that a visit from Miss McLay, was shortly
to be expected.

FITZROY (Taranaki).—Feb. 25. Miss C.
M. McLay addressed Bible Class on "Origin
and Aims of W.C.T.U. and 'Y' Branch."
Agreed to form branch. Officers elected as
follows:—Pres., Mr F. J. Rogers; Sec., Mr
C. Henry; Treas., Miss Ada Harlow.

Mar. 6. First "Y" meeting. Miss C. M.
McLay addressed and instructed officers.
Superintendents of Departments appointed.
Short address on "Effect of Alcohol on
Food Stuffs" and "Wines of Scripture," by
Miss McLay. Miss Drew welcomed new
branch on behalf of New Plymouth Union.

N.Z.W.C.T.U. Literature.

General: Mrs Horace Chisholm, 9 Palm Grove, Berhampore, Wellington.

Badges and Tie-pins, 5/- per doz., Star of Honor, 2/- each; Hymnals (music), 3/- each; Hymn Books, 2/3 per doz.; Writing Pads, 1/- and 1/9 each; Envelopes, 6d packet; Constitutions, 4d each, or 3/6 doz.; Handy Booklet, 4d each, 3/6 doz.; Membership Pledge Cards and "Facts About W.C.T.U.," 6d doz.; Treasurer and Transfer Slips, 6d doz.; Pledge Books, 6d each; Treasurer's Receipt Book, 1/6 each; Promise Box, 1/3 each; "How We Won the Franchise," 6d doz., or 3/- per 100; "White-Robed Vestal," 6d doz., or 3/- per 100; "What We Have Done with the Franchise," 6d doz., or 3/- per 100; "Torchbearers," 7/6 each; "Appeal to Mothers," 6d doz.; "Frauds," 6d doz.; "Emergency," 9d doz., or 1d each; "Young People's Leaflet on W.C.T.U.," 1d each, 1/- per doz.; "Noontide Hymn" (words), for sucking in Hymnal, 6d doz.; "Three Reasons Why a Young Woman and a Young Man Should Abstain," 6d doz.; Service and Prayer Book, 6d each; Social Invitation Cards, 6d doz. These prices include postage.

Medical Opinions and The Danger of Alcohol in Emergency, 9d per dozen, 2/6 per 100; Is Alcohol a Stimulant? 6d per dozen, 2/- per 100; Post Cards, 1/6 per dozen; Pencils, 6d each; Safety First, 6d per dozen, 2/- per 100.

Blotters, 3/9 per 100.

Cash with order.

L.T.L. and Band of Mercy: Mrs Bathgate, 106 Somme Parade, Wanganui.

Charts (with Manual of Lessons), 7/6 per set; Temperance Tales, 1-4; About Ourselves, 1/-; About Our Country, 1/-; It Is Written, 1/-; Three Young Americans, 9d; About Us and Others, 1/-; Pledge Honour Roll, 3/6; S.S. Honour Roll, 2/6; L.T.L. Badges, 4/- per dozen; Pledges, 1/- per dozen; Parliamentary Rules, 1d; Keep Thyself Pure (certificates), 1/3 per doz.; Anti-Cigarette Pledges, 5d per doz.; Recitations, Dialogues, 2d, 3d, and 6d each; Wines of Scripture and Mothers' Day Leaflets, each 6d per doz., or 2/- per 100; L.T.L. Year Books, free; Young Crusader, 2/- a year (in advance); Marching Songs, 8d each; Short Story Leaflets, 6d per doz.

Band of Hope.—Pledges, 2/- per doz.; Reciters, 3d each; 100 Per Cent. Efficiency Manual, 9d; Helps, 2d; Alcohol a Cell Poison, 8d.

Band of Mercy.—Pledges, 6d per doz.; Literature, 6d per pkt.; Little Animal's Friend, 1/6 per year.

All these prices include postage.

BAND OF HOPE.

Dialogues, 3d each; Leaflets, 9d per packet; Pledges (artistic), 2/- per dozen; Reciters, from 3d. Also Pledges at 1/- per dozen.

Cradle Roll: Mrs Phillips, Brecon Road, Stratford.

Cradle Roll Pledge Cards, 1/- per doz.

Cradle Roll Birthday Cards, 2/- per doz.

Eighth Year Certificates, 2/- per doz. Social and Moral Hygiene: Mrs Wilson, P.O. Box 273, Hastings.

Men, Women and God, 4/6—A discussion of Sex Questions from the Christian standpoint; Maternity without Suffering, 3/-; Way Book of Youth, 2/-; How I Was Born, 9d; The Story of Life, 1/6; In Her Teens, 2/-; The Changing Girl, 2/-; Answers to Tiny Tots, 2/-.

Medical Temperance: Mrs Clara Neal, 5 Park Crescent, Parnell, Auckland.

Medical Temperance Leaflets at prices ranging from one penny up to sixpence per dozen. Sample Packets, 1/- each.

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BRIGHTON UNION, 3rd Thursday, 2.15 p.m. in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs H. Hall, Wainui Street; Mrs F. M. Mitchell, 383 Park Road, N.B.; Treas., Mrs N. Fraser, River Road, N.B.; W.R. Agent, Mrs McIlroy, Breezes Road, Aranui.

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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, Grosvenor 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.

DARGAVILLE, 3rd Tuesday, at 2.30 p.m., in members' homes. Pres., Mrs Page, Awakino Point; Sec., Miss Andrews, Mangawhare; Treas., Mrs Noble, Awakino Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Bradley, Muir Road.

DUNEDIN, 1st Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Baptist S. School, Hanover Street; Pres., Mrs Hiett, 11 Duke Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs R. Alexander, 6 Constitution Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs Douglas, Littleborne; Treas., Mrs Garden, Market Street; Parliamentary Supt., Mrs Downing, Anderson's Bay; W.R. Agent, Mrs Blakely, 2 Epsilon Street, Roslyn; Juvenile Work, Mrs Gain; Home Meetings and Library, Mrs Hutton.

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DEVONPORT, 2nd Wednesday, Congregational Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Burnett, 16 Parnell Road, Auckland; Sec., Mrs G. F. Day, 27 Hinemoa Avenue; Treas., Mrs J. Jarvis, Hanlon Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Watson, 15 Kerr Street, Devonport; Cradle Roll, Miss Bishop, Cheltenham, Devonport; Vice-Pres., Mrs Lamont, North Avenue, Devonport.

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EDENDALE (Southland), 1st Thursday at 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs Malcolm; Sec., Miss H. Hall; Treas. and W.R. Agent, Mrs H. Niven.

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FAIRLIE, meets every second Wednesday of the month in Presbyterian Sunday Schoolroom, at 2.30. Pres., Mrs Wilcox; Cor. Sec., Mrs Sangster, Kimbell; Rec. Sec., Mrs White, Allandale; Treas., Mrs Vallance; W.R. Agent, Mrs Barwood.

FEILDING, 1st Thursday, 2.45 p.m., St. Paul's Hall. Pres., Mrs Pack, 18 Sandilands Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hughes and Campbell; Sec., Miss Watt, 17 Grey Street; Treas., Mrs Kendal, Awahuri Road; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs Tremain; W.R. Agent, Mrs Martin; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs H. Whisker.

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GREYTOWN, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres., Mrs H. Morrison; Sec., —; Vice-Pres., Mrs McKenzie, Mrs Norrie and Miss Oates; Treas., Mrs A. M. Haigh; L.T.L. Supt., Mrs Anker; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs J. Allen; W.R. Agent, Miss Oates.

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HAWERA, meets last Friday, at 3 pm., in the Methodist Bible Class Room. Pres., Mrs Exley, Albion Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hill and Bone; Sec., Mrs Hayward, 37 Tawhiti Road; Treas., Mrs Ashton, Albion Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Spavin, 8 Campbell Street.

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INGLEWOOD, meets last Wednesday, in Methodist Sunday Schoolroom, at 2.15 p.m. President, Mrs Simpson; Cor. Sec., Mrs Mackinder; Treasurer, Miss Young, Waitoriki; Rec. Sec., Miss Johnston; W.R. Agent, Miss Simpson.

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LINWOOD, meets last Tuesday, in Linwood Baptist Church. Pres., Mrs Richards, 14 Morris Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs H. Sharpe, 88 Linwood Avenue; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. W. Palk, 344 Worcester Street; Treas., Mrs F. Fuller, 20 Buckley's Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Black, 42 Cranley Street.

LOWER HUTT, 4th Wednesday, Church of Christ, Queen Street, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Anderson, 16 Copeland St.; Sec., —; Treas., Mrs Turner; Cradle Roll, Mrs Heyes, Brunswick St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs Shearer; Librarian, Mrs Crawford, Waterloo Road.

MARTINBOROUGH, meets in Parish Hall, 1st Wednesday. Pres., Mrs W. J. Martin, Huangarua; Sec. and Treas., Mrs A. Tyler, Jellicoe Street; W.R. Agent Mrs J. Shirkey, Grey Street.

MAUNGATUROTO, 3rd Wednesday, in Forester's Hall. Pres., Mrs T. Flower, The Manse; Sec. and Treas., Mrs Pasley, Station Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs H. Flower, North Road; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Pasley, Station Road.

MASTERTON, 1st Thursday, Knox Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. C. Cocker, Albert Street; Sec., Mrs S. J. Smith, High St; Treas., Mrs R. Jamieson, Lincoln Rd; W.R. Agent, Mrs Weston, Mount Bruce Rd.

MAYFIELD, 3rd Thursday, alternately at Ruapuna and Mayfield. Pres, Mrs Williams, Anama; Sec., Mrs J. D. Murdock, Mayfield; Treas., Mrs W. Millar, Mayfield; W.R. Agent, Mrs Thos. Corbett, Mayfield.

MIRAMAR, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m., Methodist Church, Devonshire Road. Pres., Mrs Evans; Sec., Mrs Berry, 167 Seatoun Heights Road; Treas., Mrs Foothead, Miramar Avenue; W.R. Agent, Mrs E. L. Eggers, Karaka Bay.

MORRINSVILLE, meets 2nd Tuesday, in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs Starnes, Allen Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs Sage and Mrs Cooper; Sec., Mrs Moncrief, Bank Street; Treas., Mrs Wills, Allen Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Oates, Thames Street.

MOSGIEL, 3rd Tuesday in every month, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Bedford, East Taleri; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Prentice and Logan; Sec., Mrs M. H. Wilson, Inglis Street; Treas., Mrs A. Lennox, Gordon Road; Cradle Roll, Miss McLeod, Gordon Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Morton, Forth Street; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs S. Johnstone.

MOTUEKA, last Wednesday in month, at 2.45 p.m., in Methodist Church. Pres., Miss O. Cresswell, Lower Moutere; Rec. Sec., Miss V. Glover, High Street; Treas., Miss R. Boyce, Poole Street; W.R. Supt., Mrs F. Cresswell, Lower Moutere.

NAPIER SOUTH, 3rd Thursday, in Wesley Hall, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs Dunstall, McVay Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs Walker, 145 Nelson Crescent; Sec., Mrs Williams, 112 Vigor Brown Street; Treas. Pro. Tem., Mrs Walker.

NAPIER, 1st Wednesday, in Willard Hall, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs Lenzak, Fitzroy Road; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Dodds, Macalister, Cox, Hull and Saunders; Rec. Sec., Mrs Brocklehurst, 88a Marine Parade; Asst. Sec., Mrs Oliver; Cor. Sec., Mrs Hull, 66 Chaucer Road, North; Treas., Mrs Wilkinson, Onepeto Valley; Evangelistic, Mesdames Dodds and Wilkinson; W.R. Agent, Mrs Mens, 111 Nelson Crescent; Cradle Roll and Prison Work, Mrs Saunders; Purity, Mrs Dunstall.

NELSON Union, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Watson; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Knapp, Field, Watson, Walker; Sec., Mrs F. W. O. Smith, "Brookleigh," Brook St.; Treas., Miss F. Cooke, Examiner St.; L.T.L., Mrs Moyes, Grove St.; Y's, Miss K. Moyes, Grove St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs Holloway, 77 Waimea St.

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NORTH-EAST VALLEY, 4th Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Treas., Mrs Peart, 4 Pine Hill Terrace; Sec., Miss M. Begg, 57 Selwyn Street; Treas., Mrs Sanders, 57 Frame Street; W.R. Agent, Miss A. Gray, 32 Grey Street.

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PAPANUI, 2nd Thursday, Presbyterian Girls' Bible Classroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. Simpson, 160 Idris Road; Rec. Sec., Mrs A. Merrin, 278 Harewood Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs H. Wright, 57 Aorangi Road; Treas., Mrs Bond, Vagues Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Carr.

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PETONE, 1st Tuesday, Salvation Army Hall, Sydney Street, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs Carter; Cor. Sec., Mrs Silberry, Richmond Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs Cole, C/o. 89 Nelson Street; Treas., Mrs Donehue; Asst. Treas., Mrs Woolford; Cradle Roll, Mrs Murgatroyd; Notable Days, Miss Collie; Scientific and Literature, Mrs Young; Evangelistic, Mrs Jensen; Librarian, Mrs Playtor; Sick Visitors, Mrs Jones and Mrs Crowther; W.R. Agent, Mrs Caldwell, 47 Buick Street.

PICTON, second Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Millen; Vice-Pres., Miss Harris; Sec., Mrs Tobell; Treas., Mrs Wells; Band of Hope, Mrs Powell; Cradle Roll, Miss Potter; Y's., Mrs Head; W.R., Mrs Potter.

PLEASANT POINT, meets 4th Wednesday, at 3 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs W. McNeur; Sec., Mrs R. Crombie, Waitohi, Temuka, R.D.; Treas., Mrs Crombie, Waitohi; Cradle Roll, Mrs Andrews, Sutherland; W.R. Agent, Miss A. Neilson.

PORT CHALMERS, meets 2nd Thursday, 3 p.m., Currie St. Hall. Pres., Mrs Tait, Harrington St.; Sec., Miss Gunn, 19 Mary St.; Treas., Mrs Smillie, Carey's Bay; W.R. Agent, Mrs Paton, Daly St.

PONSONBY, meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday in St. Stephen's Schoolroom, Jervois Road, Ponsonby, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss Read, Fern Bank, Whitaker Place; Life Vice-Pres., Mrs Lee-Cowie; Vice-Pres., Mrs Kasper and Mrs Williams; Rec. Sec., Mrs Joiner; Cor. Sec., Mrs W. B. Farrand, 8 Stokes Road; Treas., Miss S. S. Pyle, 8 Stokes Road; Cradle Roll, Mrs Andrews; Bible-in-Schools, Miss Pyle; Mothers' Meetings, Mrs Stewart; Notable Days, Mrs Bragg; Prison and Reformatory, Mrs Wake-
lin.

RAKAIKA, meets on the 2nd Thursday, in St. Andrew's Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Boag; Sec., Mrs Hopwood; Treas., Mrs Saunders; W.R. Supt., Miss Amy Oakley.

RAETIHI, 1st Friday, 3 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs Griffin, Seddon Street; Sec., Mrs Sandford, Duncan Street; Treas., Mrs W. Searrow, Valley Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Saunders.

RAWENE, 3rd Wednesday, Pres., Mrs H. Ashworth; Vice-Pres., Mrs Bawden; Sec., Mrs P. Lane; Cradle Roll Sec., Mrs Herk; Librarian and W.R. Agent, Mrs Johnson; Press Reporter, Mrs H. Ashworth.

REETON, 1st Tuesday, at 3 p.m., in Knox Church. Pres., Mrs Webb; Sec., Mrs Willis, Box 17; Treas., Mrs Duff; W.R. Agent, Mrs Campbell.

RICHMOND (Nelson), 3rd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Baptist Church. Pres., Miss Tarrant; Vice-pres., Mesdames Cropp, Fittall, and Oliver Sutton; Sec., Mrs Crabtree, Gladstone Road; Treas., Mrs B. Cropp, Salisbury Road; W.R. Agent, Miss Dyson, "Althorpe."

RIVERTON, meets 1st Monday, in Presbyterian Vestry, at 7.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs E. H. Gray; Vice-Pres., Mrs Fordyce, Mrs Philip and Mrs Prosser; Sec., Mrs T. Borland, Havelock Street; Treas., Mrs J. Cassels; W.R. Agent, Mrs Duthie, Church Street.

STRATFORD, 4th Friday, 3 p.m., Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs Fawcett, Juliet Street, South; Vice-Pres., Mrs McCallum and Mrs Gordon; Treas., Mrs A. Dickensen, Regan Street; Sec., Mrs March, Orlando Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Gaze, Rosalind Street; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Wendelborn, Juliet Street, South.

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SUMNER, meets first Wednesday, in the Presbyterian Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs J. McCombs, Clifton; Vice-Pres., Mesdames McAra, Wilson and Sherrard; Sec., Mrs G. A. Alexander, 90 Nayland Street; Treas., Mrs J. A. Booth, Clifton; W.R. Agent, Mrs R. Ogier, Dryden Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs F. G. Carter; Evangelistic, Mrs MacMillan; Anti-Gambling, Miss Cock; Musical, Mrs H. W. Heslop.

SYDENHAM, 1st Thursday in the month, in Baptist Schoolroom, Colombo Street. Pres., Mrs Gilmour; Rec. Sec., Mrs Cartwright Smith, 125 Colombo Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs Steward; Treas., Mrs Gillard, Brougham Street East; W. R. Agent, Mrs Johnson.

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TAURANGA, meets every 3rd Friday in Methodist Hall, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs Carlton Smith, "The Knoll," 11th Avenue; Rec. and Cor. Sec., Mrs York, 1st Avenue; Treas., Mrs Teasey, Edgecumbe Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs W. Foxcroft, Cameron Road.

TAKAPUNA, meets 1st Thursday in the month, at 2.30 in the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian Churches alternately. Pres., Mrs Morgan Richards; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Penning and Winstone; Cor. Sec., Mrs E. J. Lewis (Croydon) Victoria Road; Rec. Sec., Mrs R. Hames, Ewen Street; Treas., Mrs Colvin, Earnock Avenue; W.R. Agent, Mrs Morgan; Cradle Roll, Mrs Winstone.

TEMUKA, meets 1st Friday, Methodist Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs Tilbrook, Hayhurst Street; Sec., Mrs Allenby, Main North Road; Treas., Miss Greaves, King Street; Cradle Roll Supt., Miss M. Elder, King Street; W.R. Agent, Miss I. Hewson, Hamilton Street.

TIMARU, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Sailors' Rest. Pres., Mrs Norrie, c/o. A. C. Martin, Esq., Beverley Road; Sec., Mrs Mirifie, 30 Evans Street; Treas., Miss A. A. Pearson, 23 Turnbull Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs J. R. King, Grey Road; W.R. Agent, Mrs Cave, Raymond Street; Peace and Arbitration, Mrs B. H. Low, 12 Preston Street; Scientific Temperance, Mrs Gordon, 190 Otipua Road; Notable Days, Mrs Butcher, 50 Arthur Street; "Y." Pres., Mrs Gordon, 190 Otipua Road.

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