

Meetings were assailing me in all directions, and I rejoiced to find our W.C.T.U. had made great progress during the last year. Mrs Broughton, the splendid President, has returned from the Boston Convention with great good news. A gain of over 58,000 new members for America, a progressive prayerful spirit everywhere, and clever up-to-date pageants, etc., to present our cause attractively to the folk outside our ranks.

I am staying with a Scotch widow lady—a Mrs Macdonald—in a beautiful part of the town, near two tram lines, and close to the churches. I have begun to teach in a Japanese Sunday School, some twenty almond-eyed lassies, beautifully dressed, clean as new pins, and tremendously interested in their English-voiced teacher. I asked them what nation they belonged to, as my lesson on Sunday was "Teaching All Nations." Of course, I expected them to say, "the Japanese Nation," but everyone calmly answered, "We belong to the American Nation."

More and more I learn how little our British standards of thought and action apply to this great Nation. In New Zealand, we are 98 per cent. British, and can apply the same rules and laws to all, but here with the polyglot of languages, the distinct and separate classes, colours and creeds, the Buddhist Temples, the Chinese Joss houses, the multifarious crowds, we have to re-adjust our whole trend of thought and learn over again and learn anew—"God so loved the world."

If anyone wants a honeymoon trip, come to Honolulu. Many dear wives have been long overdue that trip—come now. The beauty is indescribable, the flowers, the foliage, the fish, the fruit—just come and see for yourselves. Mrs Macdonald can let you have rooms at reasonable rates, and you can holiday here as cheaply as at Rotorua—just pack up and come.

God bless you all.

Very lovingly in Him,

BESSIE LEE-COWIE.

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This was the watchword of Convention. May it be the slogan of every Union throughout this and every year!

One million shillings! Can it be done?

"Impossible," you say? Nay, nay, my friend,

That is a word for weaklings, not for men.

Lift up your eyes, lift up your heart and go

In God's almightiness to attempt the task.

But our slogan means more than money. It means men and women

won as members, educated as voters, and inspired to become workers.

Won by the personal effort of our members; educated in our meetings, and by reading our "White Ribbon" and other literature, inspired by the Spirit of the Living God, given as a result of the earnest prayer and mighty faith of our modern Crusaders—The "White Ribbon Army."

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"She can buffet the waves though mountain high,

And laugh in the teeth of a gale,  
 She is strong, and her course is steered

By the Pilot, Never Fail."

**TREASURER'S REPORT.**

The following amounts, exclusive of Capitation Fees, have been received during the period 9th February to 9th April, inclusive:—

**ORGANISING FUND.**

Dannevirke, £2 12s 6d; Takapuna, £3 15s; Hastings, £4 4s; Wanganui "Y," £1; Levin 16s 6d; Karori, 17s; Rotowaro, 10s; Invercargill Central, £8 3s 6d; Okaiawa, £1; Ashburton, £10; Opawa, £1 5s 6d; Ryal Bush, £1 7s 9d; Pleasant Point, £2 0s 6d; Thames (Mrs Doull), 4s.

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Greytown Maori, £1 6s; Hastings, 7s; Wyndham, £1.

**NEW ZEALAND FUND.**

Gladstone Maori, 5s; Temuka, £1; Invercargill South, £2 2s; Otahuhu, 5s; Nelson "Y," £1; Havelock North, 15s; Miramar, £1 10s; Gisborne, £1; Frankton Maori, 5s; Greytown Maori, 10s; Paeroa, 10s; Brooklyn, 10s; Mrs Miller, £1; Mrs Field, 15s; Pahiatua, £1; Invercargill "Y," 10s.

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**FRANCHISE DAY FUND.**

Hastings, 7s.

M. B. LOVELL-SMITH.  
 9th April, 1929.