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WELLINGTON, APRIL 18, 1922.

Again Convention has come and gone. It was a record for numbers, 112 delegates answering the Roll Call. The officers of the Hamilton Union did everything in their power to render the visitors happy and comfortable, and spared no effort. The Southern express arrives at 3.30 a.m., and members were up two nights and met this express, conveying delegates to the Schoolroom, where coffee and sandwiches awaited them. At early morning delegates were taken to their respective homes. This inconvenient hour of arrival added considerably to the difficulty of the entertaining Union.

The following letter, from our Australian comrades, reached us too late for Convention, but fortunately not too late to be included in our Convention number:—

"17th March, 1922.

"To the Officers and Members of the New Zealand W.C.T.U., in Convention assembled.

"Dear White Ribboners,—

"Once more you have assembled in Annual Convention. How quickly the years pass. Another year less of service for us all. How necessary for us to put our very best into the work while we are here, be that a long or a short time.

"May you have a very happy and useful Convention, and may you all be greatly blessed and successful in your work for the Prohibition Poll. A most strenuous time is before you. Your Australasian White Ribbon comrades will uphold your hands in prayer, believing that your activities will be crowned with victory.

"With warmest greetings.—Yours for Prohibition,

ANNIE CARVOSSO.

"Australasian Cor. Sec.

Mr Young, M.P. for Waikato, welcomed the Convention, and expressed his entire sympathy with our aims and objects.

Mr Fow, Mayor of Hamilton, was present at several meetings, and expresses his appreciation of our Convention in the following letter:—

"Hamilton, March 27th, 1922.

"To the Dominion President, W.C.T.U.

"Dear Mrs Don,—

"I would like to express my sincere thanks to you and your Association for the uplift you have given this district through your Convention, and to congratulate you on your decisive stand on public questions.

"I hope that yourself and colleagues will carry away pleasant memories of your brief stay here, and that this year may prove the year of our emancipation from the thralldom of the drink traffic.

"With best wishes for a glorious victory this year.—I remain, yours faithfully,

"JOHN R. FOW, J.P., Mayor."

The members of Convention presented the four officers with bouquets, and then insisted that officers and bouquets should be photographed and inserted in Convention number, which has been done. Mrs Poraumati, on behalf of the Maoris, presented Mrs Don with a greenstone tiki, which was greatly appreciated by our President.

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