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MR McCALLUM AND EDUCATIONAL PAMPHLET No. 13.

For many years the W.C.T.U. in this Dominion fought and worked for Scientific Temperance teaching in our schools, and at last a very fine up-to-date scientific pamphlet has been prepared by the combined wisdom of the Education and Health Departments. When a deputation waited upon Sir James Allen, then Minister of Education, Mrs A. R. Atkinson, in the course of her remarks, said: "We are not asking for Prohibition fads or any other fads to be taught in our schools; all we ask is that the scientific facts about alcohol, which are as well established as the multiplication table, shall be taught." Now these facts are ably set out in Pamphlet No. 13. But it does not suit all parties that the truth should be so fully taught. A short time ago a Brewers' Conference met in secret conclave in Germany. It was there stated that Scientific Temperance in the schools had won Prohibition for America, and unless this teaching was strenuously opposed, the Brewing Trade would go down.

As the brewers gave the word, so it was acted upon by the Moderate League in this Dominion. Evidently, though the Moderate League may be the head, the Brewers' Conference is the neck which moves the head.

The League waited upon the Minister of Education, and objected to this pamphlet being taught in our schools. About the strongest argument they could adduce was that a child taught those facts would think his father a bad man if he took a glass of wine or beer, and so weaken the respect of child for parent. Talk about shooting

at Gibraltar with a pop-gun! These Moderate Leaguers not only bombarded this solid structure of scientific fact with peas, but they boiled their peas before using them. We would like to ask these gentlemen does anything tend more to weaken the child's respect for his parent than for the parent to come home "a little merry" after his glass of wine. The Minister, the Director of Education, and the Chief Medical Officer all upheld the pamphlet, and vouched for its scientific accuracy.

If the Moderate League wishes to get Pamphlet No. 13 withdrawn, they should set to work and prove to the Health Department that it is scientifically unsound, but unless they prove its facts to be untrue, then those facts should be taught to our children.

Again, when the Education Council met, Mr McCallum wanted a motion passed against the use of this pamphlet in the schools. In spite of the Director's efforts to keep the discussion strictly to the point at issue, it would wander off into side tracks, and among other things, Mr McCallum stated that Prohibition had been forced upon the American people.

Never was a statement wider from the truth than this one, and yet we are constantly hearing it repeated in some form or other. We are told that Prohibition was slipped through over night. Don't you believe it. The Americans are too wide awake for that. American Prohibition is not a thing of yesterday. Maine went dry in 1851; Kansas in 1881; North Dakota in 1889; Oklahoma in 1907; Georgia in 1908; North Carolina, Tennessee, and Mississippi in 1909; West Virginia in 1914; Alabama and Arizona in 1915; Arkansas, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon,

South Carolina, Washington, Virginia, and Iowa, in 1916; Nebraska, South Dakota, Utah, and the District of Columbia in 1917; Indiana, Michigan, Montana, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Mexico, and Texas, in 1918; Florida and Ohio in 1919; Kentucky and Wyoming in 1920. Thirty-three States went dry by their own action, and of these, 39 were under Prohibition before the ratification of the 18th Amendment. Another point to be noted is that some of these States went dry by small majorities, and after living under Prohibition for two or more years, voted by largely increased majorities to remain dry. For instance, Washington voted itself dry by a majority of 18,632, but two years after it voted to remain dry by a majority of 215,036. Colorado went dry with a majority of 11,572, which two years later was increased to 40,000. When the 18th Amendment was submitted to the States to be ratified, 46 out of 48 States voted to ratify, and two have postponed the vote. Of 96 Houses of State Legislature in U.S.A., 93 have voted for the Prohibition amendment. In five States not a vote was recorded against the Prohibition amendment in either House, and one of the five was Kansas, the veteran Prohibition State. Certainly, if Prohibition was forced upon the Americans, they did the deed themselves.

And, so far, they have shown no regret for their action, nor any desire to nullify their vote. At the last Presidential election, Mr Harding, who stated that he would stand for strict enforcement of the Prohibition amendment, was returned by a majority of over six millions. Every Act passed since has been for tightening up the

Dry Law, and any measure brought out to weaken the enforcement of the law has had short shrift.

"Vox Populi Vox Dei." And the voice of the American people recorded at the ballot box is overwhelmingly in favour of Prohibition.

Two New Zealand visitors to U.S.A., neither of them pronounced Prohibitionists, viz., Mr Wilford and Judge Salmond, have given it as their opinion that the open bar will never be restored in America.

We would ask Mr McCallum, has he ever known children injured by being brought up abstainers? If not, then why does he object to them being taught the lessons of safety? Drink has claimed its millions, it injures everybody who uses it more or less, then why not give Prohibition a trial? It can't possibly be worse than regulation.

MARY ARMOR'S ITINERARY.

The following is the programme for Dr. Armor's tour of this Dominion. Will Unions mark their date, engage their hall, and get busy at once to create interest, arouse enthusiasm, and get crowds to hear her?

Sept.—1, arrive Wellington; 2, 3 and 4, Wellington; 5, Petone; 6, Carterton; 7, Martinborough; 8, Featherston; 10, Masterton; 11, Pahiatua; 12, Woodville; 13 and 14, Palmerston North; 17, 18 and 19, Auckland; 20, Devonport; 21, Onehunga; 22, Te Awamutu; 24 and 25, Hamilton; 26, Ngaruawahia; 27, Te Aroha; 28, Thames; 29, Waihi.

Oct.—1 and 2, Rotorua; 3, Matamata and Morrinsville; 4, Cambridge; 5, Te Kuiti; 6, Taumarunui; 8, Feilding; 9, Hawera; 10, New Plymouth; 11, Stratford; 12 and 13, Wanganui; 15 and 16, Napier; 17, Hastings; 18, Waipawa and Waipukurau; 19, Dannevirke; 20, Levin; 22, Picton and Blenheim; 23, Nelson; 24 and 25, Nelson District; 27, Blackball; 29, Greymouth; 30, to be arranged.

Nov.—1, Temuka; 2 and 3, Timaru; 5, Waimate; 6, Oamaru; 7, Port Chalmers; 8, Mosgiel; 9, 10, 11 and 12, Dunedin; 13, Milton; 14, Gore; 15, Matakura; 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, Invercargill and District; 22, Ashburton; 23, Kaiaipo; 24, Oxford; 26, 27 and 28, Christchurch; 29 and 30, Wellington.

WHITE RIBBON DAY.

The following paper was read by Mrs Dowling, "White Ribbon" Agent for the Auckland District Union, at their White Ribbon Day meeting, and is published by special request:—

To-day is the birthday of our paper, the "White Ribbon," and I am sure each W.C.T.U. member wishes our paper many happy returns of the day. This bright little paper is above all else **up-to-date**. Out-of-date things are no good to us in these days of stress, hurry and strife. We must keep ahead of the times. This year is going to be a great one in our work; we trust it will be the greatest in our history, and much will have to be done before our aim can be accomplished, and this fair land of ours cleansed from the awful curse of drink. This paper deals with a number of subjects of the most vital importance to every W.C.T.U. member. If we are going to enter into the fight we must be prepared for that fight, and have our hearts and minds filled with interest and energy. We must thoroughly understand our position ourselves before we can successfully combat the enemy. No general would lead his army to battle unless he had the assurance that his men had all the latest equipments of war, and were also well trained in the using of them. In our paper every month we get useful and up-to-date information, which is our chief instrument of warfare in the coming fight. If we know what Prohibition has done, and is doing in other countries, we shall be better prepared and more eager to gain the same success for our own dear land. Our first weapon of warfare is prayer, and it is prayer that must bring victory. Our Heavenly Father says that where two or three are gathered together, and agreed in whatsoever they ask, it shall be granted. Let us unite, therefore, sisters, and come boldly to the Throne of Grace, let our requests be made known to our Father. He has promised to hear and answer the cry of his children; let us then unite in earnest prayer that we may have victory through Christ. Unless Christ is our captain, we shall utterly fail in the strife. Whenever we are going to do anything in the campaign let us reverently and fervently say: Father I can do nothing unless Thou wilt go before me; then let us fol-

low His divine leading, assured that wherever He leads is the path of victory.

Our little paper deals with many subjects of great importance to women in connection with social evils. Warnings and good advice is given to every woman in a refined and loving manner, and all who are looking for it will find it in the "White Ribbon." If we are going to warn our daughters and younger sisters about the existing social evils, we must first of all understand all about those evils ourselves. One cannot deny the fact that very often young girls and boys also commit most heinous sins entirely through ignorance. How can mothers warn their children if they themselves are ignorant about such matters?

A woman, the mother of a large family, told me she never had once spoken to her daughters, now married, on sexual evils; she dare not, and did not like to do so, yet she was quite content that her daughters should launch out into the world in ignorance, quite careless about the great pitfalls into which so many of our young people fall. Remember we are our sister's keeper in many ways. Our paper educates and enlightens our minds, with the one object of making woman's life brighter and happier. As I said before, this is the birthday of our official paper—the "White Ribbon." Naturally everyone connects birthdays with birthday presents; but you might say I cannot give a birthday to a paper. Let me just remind you how you can do it. The very best birthday present you can give is to become a subscriber to this splendid paper, and in that way you will cheer the heart of our beloved Editor, Mrs Peryman. By making her happy you will have a vast amount of pleasure yourselves. One word of advice: Don't subscribe to the "White Ribbon," and then when the postman leaves it at your door toss it away unread. You will derive no benefit in that way. You will find most delightful reading in the "White Ribbon" when you have that nice, quiet spell on Sunday afternoons. When you get your daily paper you are anxious to know the latest news, let me urge you sisters to be doubly anxious to know the latest about Prohibition results.

Recently, when the Wiltshire was wrecked on our shores, the prayers of God's people ascended to Heaven for

the safe deliverance of the men on board. Are we going to be less anxious in our prayers for the safe deliverance of thousands of our young people who are making shipwreck of their lives by the demon drink? I trust not. Our paper is thoroughly up-to-date in every detail, and it is only 3/6 per year, post free. I am sure every one who will make the slightest effort can raise 3½d per month. It only means one ounce less chocolate per month in the home. Chocolates and sweets are soon forgotten, but the good things learned from our paper are wholesome and lasting. In conclusion, let me quote a little poem that appeared in our last issue, entitled, "Wear It as a Badge", Preach a silent sermon, Wear a bow of white," etc.

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PROHIBITION A FAILURE (?).

PROHIBITION KILLED HIS BUSINESS.

The following letter appeared in the "San Francisco Examiner":—

Sir,—What has Prohibition accomplished to date? Here are facts not generally known. I am President of 65 Neal Institutes for the treatment of "drink habit" that were located in the principal cities of U.S.A. and Canada.

During the 12 years before the Volstead Act became effective, we treated more than 125,000 drinking men and women. Chicago and Cleveland Institutes treated more than 100 patients a month. Los Angeles and San Francisco averaged 25 to 30 a month. Neal Institutes have closed from lack of patronage, and I am now devoting all my time to another business.—Sincerely,

B. E. NEAL, M.D.

PROHIBITION AND ECONOMY.

"Since the date on which National Prohibition went into effect the savings deposits of this bank have increased approximately 10,000,000dol., or 30 per cent. There is no question but that Prohibition has contributed very substantially to the increase of savings in the United States, and therefore has been of great economic value to the country."—Mr John Jay Abbott, Vice-President of Continental and Commercial Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago.

SALVATION ARMY ABANDONS "BOOZERS' DAY."

So says Commander Evangeline Booth, because Prohibition has cleared out park benches of drunkards, and the money that used to be spent feeding and clothing these men was spent on entertaining 5000 boys under 14 years old in New York City. The Commander says that since Prohibition was enacted "drunkenness among the poor has almost entirely disappeared." And this in New York, which used to be the wettest of all wet cities. Everywhere the Salvation Army has found a marked increase in thrift and prosperity, and a marked decrease in drunkenness.

THOMAS A. EDISON SPEAKS.

"Prohibition is the greatest thing in America to-day. Drinking whisky is a rotten habit, just like opium and co-

caine. Everybody ought to help protect themselves against the sale of whisky."

SIR ARTHUR NEWSHOLME.

Sir Arthur has been in U.S.A. for the last two years. He was principal medical officer to the local Government Board of Great Britain. His testimony is that four out of five physicians in the U.S.A. have not taken out permits to prescribe alcohol, and in 24 States no physician can prescribe it. "Rescue work in the large cities has, in considerable part, been replaced by preventive work. Drunkenness and admissions to hospitals for acute alcoholism have shown remarkable decline."

PROHIBITION REDUCES DEATH RATE.

Thirty-seven leading American Insurance Companies, who transact 80 per cent. of the life insurance business of the U.S.A., report that the year 1921 was the healthiest in the history of both Canada and United States. The figures for the first ten months indicate a lowering of the death-rate among policyholders from 9.8 in 1920 to 8.24 in 1921. Deaths from pneumonia showed a decrease of 50 per cent., and tuberculosis also had a large decrease.

PEORIA'S DISTILLERIES.

In Peoria, Illinois, the 13 distilleries and three breweries are now used for other purposes, chiefly food products manufacture. The bank clearings have increased 15,000,000dol. since Prohibition. The internal revenue collected was over 35,000,000dol. a year, the heaviest paid. The Revenue Collector said recently that he had opposed the coming of Prohibition. "I fought you hard, but now I am with you. The change in industries has helped, and not hurt Peoria."

FAMINE.

They are dying, dying, dying.
We pass by and give no heed.
Famine! Famine! Famine! Famine!
We pass by and give no heed.

Neighbours! nay, we show no mercy.
Neighbours give when there is need.
Neighbours! Nay—we think it hearsay.
Hearts are bleeding—let them bleed.

We are crying, crying, crying,
"Lord! when saw we Thee in need?"
"They were dying, dying, dying."
Ye passed by and gave no heed."

—E.P.C.

CONGRATULATIONS.

Our Business Manager congratulates the Pleasant Point Union. This Union, only organised early this year, already has 50 "White Ribbon" subscribers. This is a record. So far as we know, no other Union has secured so many subscribers in so short a time. It shows what can be done when two "White Ribbon" agents, who are real live wires, get going. Now, all Unions get your live members canvassing for new subscribers. Folks don't think they want the "White Ribbon," they are not interested in Prohibition, but you know that they ought to have the paper, with its up-to-date Prohibition facts and activities recorded there, and it will handsomely repay your endeavours to get it into as many homes as possible, by winning votes for us on Polling Day. How many big city Unions secured 50 new subscribers in a year, let alone in half that time? Don't leave it to your "W.R." Agent; she's a busy woman, collecting old subscriptions. You get new subscribers for her, and she'll do the extra collecting willingly. The "Union Signal" publishes a list of women printed below who are excused from reading its pages. We might be willing to excuse these same women from reading the "White Ribbon," but please canvass all other women for subscribers.

WOMEN WHO ARE EXCUSED FROM READING "THE UNION SIGNAL."

1. The back-number woman, who does not care to keep up with the times.
2. The narrow-gauge women, who is content to be provincial.
3. The unambitious woman, who does not object to limited equipment for work.
4. The indolent woman, who prefers to fritter away her time.
5. The busy woman, who puts other things before God's kingdom.
6. The selfish woman, who has no social conscience.
7. The prejudiced woman, who "doesn't believe in the work of the W.C.T.U."
8. The disloyal woman, who prays, "Thy Kingdom Come," but will not give of herself or her means to help bring the kingdom.

STATE CONTROL IN CARLISLE.

(By Jessie Mackay.)

I was in Carlisle in the first week of April, and addressed myself to as many persons as possible to see how the liquor control experiment was regarded in that quiet little town of the North, from which all war activity has long drained away. It was a little surprising to find that the rank and file of townfolk looked rather puzzled; did not seem to remember they were under any dispensation other than that of similar quiet little Northern towns about them. I went on to municipal (male) authority. The police blandly approved, and made a strong point, again a little surprising to me, of the great discrepancy between the convictions for drunkenness in Carlisle and those of the inevitably rougher mining town of Newcastle. I went on to the Church, and sounded the leaders of the Free Communions there. They approved, with strong civic reservations; their argument for being mainly the decent, well-appointed, comfortable premises that had superseded the squalid drink saloons of pre-experiment times, and their strong civic argument against being the utter impossibility of exercising any popular control or bringing any aspect of the management, were it deemed faulty at any time, into the ordinary light of public enquiry. The Central Control Board, which at first directed the experiment, is now merged in the administration of the Home Office, which is a law unto itself. Next, I went to the Mayor, a teetotaler, found he was in London, but acquired second-hand testimony as to his favourable attitude towards the system. In every case I had to hear through the long tale of the bad old drinking dens, the sudden influx of rough drunken war workers in 1915, and the subsequent inferno dealt with by State regulation in 1916, with immediate diminution of disorder and convictions, a diminution which automatically followed the ordinary institution of restrictions of sale all over Britain the same year, though the peculiar circumstances of Carlisle and its population made a more marked difference than in the majority of places.

Lastly, I went to the women, in the person of the Executive of the local branch of the B.W.T.A. Immediately the tune changed. The housekeeping,

home-conserving mothers of Carlisle were more than a little dubious. They had conversations with young girls not interviewed by the Church and the Corporation, who, sitting with their wine and their bread and butter, naturally praised the fineness, the warmth, and the beauty of their new surroundings, with all their specious attractions. They saw what escaped the masculine eye, the abrogation of the Children's Act, infants accompanying their mothers to the women's bars provided in the State hotels. Their own deaconess, watching the town at an hour when good Mayors are at supper and good ministers in their studies, saw young men emerge the worse for liquor, and had had occasion to remonstrate when men, obviously intoxicated on entrance, were just about to be served by the State barmen.

The Temperance women, nothing if not civic and democratic, felt all the doubts of the Churchmen as to the continued efficacy of an irresponsible bureau under the Home Office, or any other despotic control. While appraising all real improvement, very particularly that in the appointment of the premises, they fiercely criticised the manner and scope of these changes. When in war time people were crowded past the bounds of health and seemliness, yet not allowed to build homes, tons of money and material were recklessly squandered on turning Carlisle hotels into gaudy upholstered mansions. Comfort and recreation the women approved, but not criminal waste, as represented by the typical expenditure of £2000 on carpets for one hotel alone! They also keenly resented the bureaucracy under which all details of liquor finance in Carlisle are wrapped in mystery. Lorries full of barrels of liquor roll daily through the streets; somewhere and some time these barrels are emptied. One brewer now supplies all the houses in Carlisle, but that only means that he has a monopoly of a trade apparently as profitable as before the navy irruption. Of the autocracy under State Control, it is sufficient to relate the vain result of popular opposition to the Board's acquiring a large mansion in a residential block reasonably near other hotels. The superfluous mansion was bought at a high figure, and fitted up on the usual lavish scale. As is known, the first year's dividends, 30 per cent., were

too large to publish on the balance-sheet, and large gratuities were made to charitable societies of the borough, as conscience or hush money, whichever it might be regarded.

After our talk, the President of the local branch, Mrs Pattinson, agreed to take me for a brief peep round the town near closing time. We did not expect and did not observe any sensational scenes, yet the human impressions gained in that half-hour were worth tons of figures. We walked into a few of the men's drinking rooms. A momentary inspection showed most to be middle-aged, but a number of very young men were present. We did not see any quarrelling, would not have said that any of the men we saw were intoxicated, yet even to our unaccustomed eyes it was plain that this habel of talk and hiving about of people with glasses in their hands was no normal conversation of men at ease in an ordinary smoke-room or tea-room, and no training for youths needing manly recreation after toil. But it was, of course, the women's bars we took for our objective. In one we saw a couple of middle-aged women sitting down and talking quietly over two small glasses of something. In one or two hotels the women's bar seemed closed; it was nearly ten o'clock. In others, a number of women, most of them probably young wives, were standing talking confusedly like the men, with beer glasses in their hands. Nowhere in these evening bars is there any pretence of food. The manageress of the largest bar we saw followed us out with a flood of words angrily apologetic, though we had said nothing, and had not looked censoriously at them. The women, she said, led hard lives, and surely to goodness no one need grudge them fourpence for their beer and a chat. Too well we discerned signs of influence in her own speech and behaviour, and answered gently that we wished all women good recreation after long working days. Then the woman wept, and made her apology a personal appeal.

"I work hard, God's truth, I do," she said; "I have my kiddies to keep, and it's hard—hard on twenty-two and six a week."

We quietened her again, and asked about the minding of the children of the women within. They were left to Providence, it seemed; the husbands

were in the other bars. I went home with a lasting impression of what England was doing to this woman and those to whom she was dealing out a temptation too strong for herself.

The conclusions I came to on the Carlisle experiment are these: The town showed no superficial signs of drinking, but was no cleaner or quieter than Keswick, Penrith, Llandudno, or any other licensed town of the size that I have stayed in since, while statistics show that other towns have smaller lists of convictions for drunkenness.

That somehow and somewhere large quantities of liquor are consumed in all these centres, but whereas in license towns figures are obtainable, no details of management are obtainable in Carlisle, nor can the police be expected to forget that it would be most inexpedient to look for flaws in a national system under which they are paid and promoted. For both these reasons, statistics regarding Carlisle can convince no one not already convinced.

That advocacy of a liquor bureaucracy, under which money can be spent so irresponsibly, and the will of the people locally flouted, stamps the advocate as a political reactionary of a hopeless sort.

Finally, that Carlisle, though a young experiment yet, is already started on the road of home deterioration, and that sapping of womanhood and childhood under a specious show of respectability, which has ruined Gothenburg and every other system of national or municipal control yet tried. The inevitable Commission of Enquiry is only a few years distant.

It may be added that the Home Secretary, Mr Shortt, no friend of any kind of reform, has just visited Carlisle, and vaguely praised the moral results, and very definitely praised the results to the British Exchequer. Yet, when pressed in Parliament, he has, with the prevalent pre-election "grumpiness," pointedly denied that he is extending the Carlisle experiment just now.

There's not a single bit of use
To talk and sing and pray,
For righteousness and purity,
Unless you vote that way.

N.Z. W.C.T.U. LITERATURE.

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L.T.L., Cradle Roll, and Medical Temperance: Mrs Neal, 3, Ligar Place, Grafton, Auckland.
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PROVINCIAL CONVENTIONS.

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT CONVENTION,

Held at Gore, June 27th, 1922.

Delegates and members assembled in numbers in the Gore Town Hall at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, June 27th.

Mrs Smith, the President of the Gore Branch, gave a very warm welcome to delegates, and the following Branches responded to the roll call:—Gore, Mataura, Edendale, Bluff, Orepuki, Otautau, Ryal Bush, Invercargill Central, South, North, and Y Branches. In the afternoon delegates from the newly-formed Temperance Society at Wendon arrived.

Excellent reports were given by the Secretaries of the various Branches, and Mrs Don congratulated them on the work done.

Rev. Eccersall, in welcoming the delegates in the name of the Alliance, emphasised the fact that the weapons used to gain the victory at the next poll must be God and prayer. Mr Rogers, from the Mataura Council, also spoke words of welcome.

A delegation from the Ministers' Association welcomed delegates to Gore. For the first time the Anglican Church publicly ranged itself with the W.C.T.U., and general pleasure was expressed at Mr Hamlet's action, and also at his words of welcome.

Mrs Don then addressed Convention, and spoke of the work among the Maoris, and exhibited the tiki given at Convention, also on the prayer cards, showing that in two months 5000 had already been distributed among Unions, and 5000 more were being printed. Cards had been sent to Unions all over the world, asking for their prayers for New Zealand at the next poll. All Unions were urged to begin work for the visit of Mary Harris Armor, committees to organise and publish reports about her. Committees to interest every Union in their district should be formed.

Every District Union and every Branch, and every member of a branch was urged to remember the noontide hour of prayer. The Organisation Fund was spoken of. The splendid work of the two Organisers, Misses Earnshaw and Mayo, was referred to, and Branches were reminded that it was their duty to conserve their funds for their own work. It was necessary

to have Organisers, and it was a sacred duty laid upon Branches to support them.

In the afternoon session, at which there was a large attendance, the devotional exercises were taken by the South Invercargill Branch. Mrs Garrett gave particulars in regard to an assault case, and the following motion was passed:—

"That the Southland District Convention, assembled at Gore, request the National Union of New Zealand to see if the law can be amended to protect children from parents who have proved themselves absolutely unfit to have the care of children. A father convicted of assault upon his little child should never again have control of that child."

It was agreed to send a message of appreciation to Mr Parr for his straightforward reply to the Moderate League in regard to the pamphlet "Alcohol."

A large gathering of citizens was present at the evening meeting, held in the Town Hall. Rev. Mr Carlisle, from Invercargill, gave a telling and forcible address, and Mrs Don spoke for the latter part of the evening.

Altogether Gore Convention was a great success, and we feel sure the Branch will benefit by the work done. At the afternoon session the Gore ladies supplied afternoon tea, and saw that the hall was kept warm by heaters. All delegates wish to express their appreciation of the great kindness shown to them.

TARANAKI AND WANGANUI PROVINCIAL CONVENTION,

Held at New Plymouth.

The Convention opened with the reception of delegates on the evening of the 4th July. The meeting was held in the Presbyterian Schoolroom, the chair being occupied by Mrs Griffen, President of the Union, who welcomed the visitors on behalf of her Union. Speeches of welcome were also given by the Mayor and the Venerable Archdeacon Evans. Mrs Phillips, Provincial Convention President, suitably responded. Musical and elocutionary items were rendered.

The business session opened in the Methodist Hall on 5th July with a devotional service conducted by Mrs Phillips, who gave a message to Convention on "The Power of Prayer."

About 50 delegates answered to the roll call.

After the appointment of a Committee of Courtesies, Convention Letter-Writer, and Press Reporters, the Secretary read greetings.

Reports of the Unions took up most of the morning. The Secretary's summary showed the state of the Branches to be highly satisfactory. Two new Unions have been formed—or rather resuscitated—namely, Waitara and Inglewood; while the membership throughout the Taranaki district has increased by 362, owing to the splendid work of Miss Mayo, Dominion Organiser.

Resolved: "That a letter be sent to the Dominion Secretary expressing appreciation of Miss Mayo's efforts."

Summary of Reports.

Active membership, 841; honorary, 52; L.T.L., 109; "W.R." subscribers, 102; Cradle Roll, 951 (increase 156). New Plymouth has the honour of holding premier place for the Dominion, with a Cradle Roll membership of 313—increase for year 40; Band of Mercy, 34; Band of Hope, 32. New Plymouth and Ngaere held picnics.

White Ribbon.—New Plymouth increase 12 subscribers—Manaia and New Plymouth supply the Public Library with a copy. Hawera supplies railway station with literature.

School Committees.

Manaia has two members (1 acting as Secretary and Treasurer), New Plymouth has one member.

Meetings.

New Plymouth held five special home meetings; Ngaere an "American" tea, and an honorary members' social evening.

L.T.L.

Manaia membership 50. Held competitions in speech-making, poetry and essays. Entertainment given. Xmas tree laden with prizes.

New Plymouth membership 25.

Press.

Hawera, Manaia, and Normanby report meetings to newspapers.

Maori.

New Plymouth and Hawera gave donations to this fund.

Donations.

Ngaere and Eltham sent away bundles of clothing. Manaia gave £3 towards the "Armor" Fund. New Plymouth donated £2 15s for Maori work, £6 7s to Atkinson Memorial Fund, and £1 16s to World's Missionary Fund.

Hawera gave 30s to Maori work, and gave also to "Armor" Fund.

Resolutions.

Ngaere and Hawera sent resolutions protesting against the increase in racing permits.

Resolution from Wanganui E.: "As it has been brought under the notice of this Union that mothers with children are subjected to much inconvenience when travelling on the New Plymouth-Wellington railway line, it is decided that an appeal be made to the Minister of Railways asking him to place a separate carriage on the mail trains for the exclusive use of women and children, as is provided on the Main Trunk line."—Adopted by Provincial Convention.

Votes of sympathy with Mr Atkinson and daughter in the loss of Mrs Atkinson, and with Mr Blizzard and family in the passing of Mrs Blizzard, for many years President of the Ngaere Union, were carried in the usual manner.

Afternoon sessions. Devotions led by Mrs Avery, of Waitara.

The five minutes' speech competitions resulted in Miss Patterson, of Manaia, gaining first prize, and Mrs Goody, of Wanganui Central, second prize. Miss Drew, of New Plymouth, kindly acted as judge.

Decided to hold 1923 Provincial Convention in Hawera.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Pres., Mrs Phillips, Stratford; Sec., Miss Patterson, Manaia; Treas., Mrs Hawkins, New Plymouth.

A WORD FROM OUR WORLD SECRETARY.

A Message to My Dear Comrades in New Zealand.

Dear Co-Worker and Friend,—

This is just a little personal word to each reader of your national paper, "The White Ribbon."

We are hoping you are coming to our World's Women's Christian Temperance Union Convention in Philadelphia, U.S.A., in November next.

Our United States sisters are making plans, many and complete, for the comfort and happiness of their world-wide guests. Their generosity and enthusiasm is only exceeded by their glowing

hospitality. We in Canada know our "Cousins across the line," as we familiarly say, very well.

The "line" is significant, stretching 4000 miles between our two nations. Fifteen hundred miles of it consists of the world's greatest inland water-way. But no battleship has been anchored in those flowing rivers or great inland seas for over one hundred years.

Not a fortress stands sentinel along our border, nor has the sound of weapons of war been heard: nothing more formidable than Revenue officers of both countries on guard.

We wish you all a thousand welcomes! We hope many of you will assemble in the lovely Quaker city of William Penn. There will be glorious stories, radiant with victory, and golden-hued in hope and confidence, to hear Miss Gordon's fascinating travels in South America and other lands; Miss Slack's splendid achievements in the reorganisation of our work in war-stricken Europe; the records of triumph of the leaders in many countries; and the example of a great Republic living under a Prohibition Law is worth coming far to hear and see.

Many of you because of local, national or home duties cannot forgather, and I would like to suggest a way in which all our dear White Ribbon sisters—even in remotest parts of the world—may in heart and spirit meet there.

In the realm of prayer distance makes no difference. The petition may be like the radio broad-casted upon the prayer waves and reaching away to the heart of God, presenting to Him as incense (Rev. 8:3, 4) returning in abundant comfort and blessing to those who pray, and power, wisdom and illumination upon the convention.

May one suggest a few specific subjects:—

1. That in all deliberations Christ may be King and Lord and have pre-eminence, as His glory is the first consideration.
2. For our leaders, Miss Gordon and all leaders, that wisdom, tact and knowledge may be given for the solving of the tremendous problems.
3. That important questions to be debated and decided may have the illumination of the Holy Spirit shed upon their solution; that every decision may be made in the light of our high calling in Christ Jesus.

4. That journeying mercies be given all our delegates and visitors.
5. That those who "stay by the stuff" may be protected by our Heavenly Father in happiness and peace.

Begin now, dear friend, to create an atmosphere of prayer and attitude of expectancy.

With loving wishes,

Yours in His Name,

BLANCHE READ JOHNSTON,
Hon. Secretary.

28 Temple Avenue, Toronto,
Canada.

OBITUARY.

MRS DAVIES

We have to record, with sorrow, the death of one of the charter members of the Auckland District Union, at the advanced age of 87. Mrs Davies joined the Union when it was organised by Mrs Leavett on her world's missionary tour.

She was a woman of deep piety, keen intellect, and wise judgment. Her counsel and advice were much valued by her fellow-members. She held the position of Treasurer for some years, and took a deep interest in all matters affecting women. She was associated with the late Mrs Daldy in the campaign to secure the Woman's Franchise, and was an officer in the Women's Political League for many years, having an intelligent grasp of all questions of the day. Mrs Davies was an earnest worker in the church and missionary work. Though unable to attend the Union of recent years, yet she sustained her interest in the work, and some of the members possess and value very much the beautiful knitted lace work which she made for any special effort for funds. She has been called Home to the Higher Service of the Lord.

We pay our loving tribute to the memory of such lives, and when the glorious day of victory for Prohibition comes we will remember that we are reaping the reward of their untiring zeal in the cause to which they devoted their lives.

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK.

WOMEN J.P.'S.

We note that Mr Wilford has introduced into the House a Justices of the Peace Amendment Bill, to enable women to be appointed as J.P.'s. In reply to a question in the House, the Minister of Justice said that the Solicitor-General held that under the present Act, **person** did not mean **woman**. It would be an easy matter to alter the Act, and allow women to be appointed, but the Government did not propose to do this.

A NUISANCE.

A Magistrate, in sentencing a man on a charge of drunkenness to 12 months on Rotoroa Island, remarked: "You have been convicted 74 times; you are only a **nuisance to the country**." True! and yet he might have been a useful citizen, and an ornament to his country, had not the Government licensed the sale of the poison which ruined this man and thousands of others. Why don't Magistrates put the label on the guilty party, and pronounce John Barleycorn the biggest nuisance any country ever had.

WOMEN AT RACE MEETINGS.

During the hearing of an application for a liquor booth at the Wellington races, which came before the Hutt Licensing Committee, the police said that at the two last race meetings far too many women had been found drunk upon the course. Women had congregated in a room at the side of the booth, and he recommended that the room be kept closed. The licensee was willing to keep the room locked, and the officials of the Racing Club would do their best to see that drinking by women was minimised.

The license was granted on the condition that this room be kept closed during the time that the license was available.

Why did the Committee grant that license? From the police report, it was a temptation and a curse to the women visiting the races, and surely for their protection it should have been refused. We wonder were there any drunken men upon the course during the last two meetings. The police did not report upon that. Men and women alike require protection from the deadly menace of the open bar, and

Prohibition is the best means of protection. Try it!

"NEW YORK TIMES" ON MRS MARGOT ASQUITH.

"Her view of American Prohibition will (when she is informed) be about that of other sensible people—that it is neither a complete success nor a complete failure; and that such as it is, with all its faults and failures, the large majority of the country's inhabitants prefer it to any alternative in the way of repeal or mitigation that has yet been proposed."

HEAVY PUNISHMENT FOR "BOOT-LEGGERS."

Probably the severest punishment ever imposed for violating the Dry Law was meted out to Edward Donegan by a New York Federal Judge. He was fined 65,000 dollars and ten years in the Federal prison at Atlanta. Who says U.S.A. is not enforcing the 18th Amendment?

THE THREE MILE LIMIT.

No alcoholic drinks can be served within three miles of the American coast on any vessel. Do the passengers rush for them as soon as they are outside this limit? The bar stewards say "No." Far less drink is taken now than before Prohibition. Some men who used to imbibe freely on shipboard are now total abstainers.

RACING CLUBS AND LIQUOR QUESTION.

An appeal from the Associated Clubs of New Zealand for a donation to fight Prohibition at the forthcoming elections was considered by the Masterton Racing Club. The letter stated that the Wellington Racing Club had given £100, and the Trotting Club a similar donation. The Chairman objected to any such grant, stating that many of their supporters were Prohibitionists. Another member remarked that it was a matter for individual consciences, and not for taking sides as a body. The Club declined to make a donation by a unanimous vote.

As Masterton is a No-License electorate, it is very gratifying to find the stewards of the Racing Club do not consider Prohibition such an evil that they are willing to pay to fight it. The Club were wise, because everybody knows sport would be cleaner were there no liquor available.

PERSONAL.

White Ribboners everywhere will be pleased to hear that Mrs Lee-Cowie has recovered from her late illness, and now reports herself "quite well." She is once again taking her open-air meetings at the wharf on Sunday.

Miss Jessie Mackay is touring England. She studied the State Control of Liquor Traffic in Carlisle, and has sent her impressions, which we publish this month. While in London, she was one of the principal guests at a dinner given by the Pen Club, of which Mr John Galsworthy is the President.

Sorrow has visited the home of our Invercargill President, Mrs Lillicrap, who mourns the loss of her husband. Mr Lillicrap was an earnest sympathiser with our work, and always ready to help the Union, his musical gifts always being at their service. To Mrs Lillicrap we tender our sincerest sympathy in her bereavement.

SUPERINTENDENT'S LETTER.

NOTABLE DAYS.

Dear W.R. Sisters,—

Will you please bear in mind that the 27th July is T. E. Taylor, or "Memorial Day" for all our leaders who have passed away.

EDUCATIONAL.

Will all Unions holding papers belonging to the Educational Bureau kindly return immediately, if finished with, to Miss Powell, 120 Cliffs Road, St. Clair, Dunedin? Several valuable papers are being asked for which were sent out months ago, and have never been returned. Please search your papers and find them. Please note above is the correct address, as there is confusion on this point in the Convention number.

A. C. JONES,

N.Z. Supt. Notable Days.

ALCOHOL AND ATHLETICS.

"HOW TO PLAY TENNIS."

(By Mr Tilden.)

"It is certain injury to touch alcoholic drink in any form during tournament play. Alcohol is a poison that affects the eye, the mind, and the wind, three essentials in tennis. A man who is facing a long season of tournament play should refrain from alcohol in any form."

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Ravensbourne, Dunedin,

July 10th, 1922.

Dear Sisters,—

There are many things I want to say to each White Ribboner and every Union, and the best and quickest way to do it is to talk through our paper. This week's mail brought a letter from Mrs Bell, National Secretary of the Scottish W.C.T.U., in which she says: "At our annual Council meetings recently held in Glasgow, it was agreed that a letter of love greeting should be sent to our dear White Ribbon sisters in New Zealand." Then she reminds me that Scotland's dry areas were formerly the scenes of great revival movements, where God's Spirit mightily moved and laid a strong foundation of Righteousness on which they could

build, and suggests that we should spend as much time as possible on our knees, so that all our work and organisation be subservient to the guiding of our God. They are now getting ready for the next poll, to be taken in 1923; and says: "They are praying for God's blessing on our every effort, and their one earnest prayer is that He may send us success this year." I am sending her some prayer cards for distribution among their Unions. About 11,000 of these are in circulation, but I would like to know that double that number were silently appealing for help, both at home and abroad. Will every sister buy half a dozen, keep one as a constant reminder, then give or send the other five to any person that you know, near or far, that will help us by praying with us?

The same mail brought a letter from Dr. Mary Armor. She, with her recently widowed daughter-in-law, is sailing by the Marama, from San Francisco, on August the 4th, and if they arrive on schedule time, will be in Wellington on the 26th of same month. The only thing she asks for is our earnest prayers and loving sympathy. Now let us send her a snowball welcome. Every White Ribboner can send a letter or picture post-card, addressed to:

Dr. Mary Harris Armor,
S.S. Marama,
C/o Union S.S. Co.,
Honolulu.

At the same time do not forget to pray. Mrs Armor says, "God always blesses earnest effort when prefaced by earnest prayer," so let everybody PRAY.

I hope in this issue Mrs Neal will tell you about the surprise gift that arrived from America last week. The song books can be had from her department; also some small blue stickers, with motto, "The Liquor Traffic Must Go." You can purchase these in small or large quantities, from 25 for 3d. Now, Unions, apply for these to Mrs Neal, Auckland, or to my address at Ravensbourne, and do get busy.

The Prayer Cards are procurable from Mrs Reed, Sunday School Supply Stores, Dunedin. These things must be attended to at once, and every member can act on these suggestions. Then do it quickly.—With loving greetings,

Yours for Victory,
RACHEL DON.

THE TWILIGHT WAY.

God of the shadows, lead me through
the gloaming,

Arch the long road with fretted vaults
of green,

Send but a gleam to tell me I am
homing,

Let not Thy face be seen.

Fold well Thy cloak of gentlest pity
round me,

Keep Thy bright secrets till the
morning break,

Why should I seek Thee, Lord, when
Thou hast found me,

And know'st the way I take?

—A.W.

HONEST—ANYWAY.

Bishop Potter, working in Lower New York, made an honest attempt to establish and carry on a model saloon. After a year's trial, the Bishop gave the job up, and the saloon, "The Subway Tavern," was sold to a worldly man, who put up the following notices on the walls:—

"They sang the Doxology when they opened the place. We'll sing: 'Here's to good old wine.'"

"Rum and religion won't mix any more than oil and water."

"You can't follow the Lord and chase the devil at the same time."

"A saloon is a place for drink; not worship."

"Religion follows rum; it does not go with it hand in hand. A man thinks of religion the morning after."

"You cannot boom drink and temperance too."

"Running a saloon by telling people of the deadly effects of rum is like telling a man to please buy poison because the undertaker needs the money."

"The best patron of a saloon is the man with the biggest thirst, not the man with the most religion."

"Could we with ink the ocean fill,

And were the sky of parchment
made;

Were every blade of grass a quill,

And every man a scribe by trade;

To write the horrors wrought by drink
Would drain the ocean dry,

Nor could the scroll contain the whole
Though stretched from sky to sky."

News of the Unions.

(The Editor cannot promise to insert anything in the next issue that does not reach her by the 8th of the month. Correspondents are requested to write their Reports as concisely as possible, on one side of the paper only. Newspaper cuttings are unsuitable.)

NORTH INVERCARGILL.

June 20. First meeting, Mrs Hopkirk presiding. Good attendance. Miss Hardy, the Treasurer, reported a gift of £2 to start the banking account of the new Union. Mrs Hopkirk spoke hopefully of the work lying before them. The new Union can congratulate itself on the four new members enrolled in the initiatory meeting, which with the transfers from other Unions give it a membership of 15. Miss Dewar, Corresponding Secretary of the Mother Union, read a report of the Hamilton Convention. It was listened to with great interest. She emphasised the need of preparation for Dr. Armor's visit, in order to make it a success. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Miss Dewar.

WINCHMORE-GREENSTREET.

May 10. Mothers' Day. President in the chair. An exceptionally large attendance. A short intercessory service. Peace Proclamation passed at Convention was heartily endorsed. Mrs G. Millar, District President, gave a most interesting address, which was much appreciated. Misses Lee and Marsden contributed solos, also a recitation by Lorimer Robinson. Mesdames McIlroy and Hood provided afternoon tea.

June 11. White Ribbon Day, Mrs Robinson presiding. The resignation of Miss McKay as Secretary was received with regret. Decided to place on record an appreciation of her services. Mrs W. Bennett was elected to the position. A very helpful paper, written by Miss Trevurza, dealing with the White Ribbon movement, its aims and objects, was read and discussed. A very hearty vote of thanks was passed to Miss Trevurza. A collection, amounting to 8/3, was taken up for the Maori Fund.

HASTINGS.

June 22. Eleven present. One new member received. Results of shop reported to be £9 17s 8d—very satisfactory. It being White Ribbon Day, the claims of our paper were urged, and Mrs Duxfield's paper was read. Motions of sympathy and condolence were passed to members who were passing through sickness and bereavement. Afternoon tea was dispensed by Mrs Townsend.

ARAMOHO.

June 8. A good attendance. One new member initiated. Resolved that the Minister for Railways be asked to provide one of their special carriages

for the use of women and children on the Main Trunk Line. Decided to enquire into the case of a distressed family, and if satisfactory members asked to help to the best of their ability. Cradle Roll cards distributed. Delegates appointed to Provincial Convention. Afternoon tea served.

SOUTH INVERCARGILL.

June 13. A social afternoon. Mrs Paisley presided over a large attendance. Brief reports were presented by Superintendents of various departments, which showed that good work is being done. Songs and an address by the Rev. H. G. Gilbert were much appreciated. Three new members were added.

OPOTIKI.

June 8. Very good attendance; 30 ladies present. Mrs Holman and Miss Grant gave piano solos. Mrs Love a song. Mrs Thompson read an article on unemployment, and Mrs Murray on the "Life of Dr. Mary Armor." Afternoon tea.

NORTH EAST VALLEY.

June 29. Decided that in future the first portion of each meeting be devoted to prayer. Mrs Peart then gave a most interesting account of series of meetings of Hamilton Convention and received a vote of thanks. A welcome was extended to Mrs H. E. Mortimer, from Victoria, who was present, and who briefly replied. Sale of produce was held at the close of the meeting.

MATAKANA.

May 30. The W.C.T.U. Organiser, Miss Earnshaw, has been in this district for about a week, reorganising this branch of the Union, which has been defunct for more than two years. Owing to wet weather, Miss Earnshaw was not able to visit so widely as usual. Miss Earnshaw gave a very interesting and helpful address to those present on the benefits of the Union, also on the scope of women's work of the present time. Election of officers held, most of the old members renewing their subscriptions, and four new members were gained. A vote of thanks was given to Miss Earnshaw. Afternoon tea, which was much enjoyed.

CARTERTON.

July 5. A most enjoyable social afternoon, at which there was a good assembly of ladies. All present heartily joined in the singing of several well-known hymns. Rev. Black delivered a very interesting and instructive address on Temperance. A sumptuous afternoon tea, and a collection taken up in aid of the Maori Fund. One new member joined up, and two fresh subscribers to the "White Ribbon" were gained.

ONEHUNGA.

June 8. A splendid gathering of members and friends to a social after-

noon. Piano solo, songs, and recitations were greatly appreciated by all. Report of delegates to the Prohibition Convention given. Two new members initiated. Afternoon tea. Sale of cakes brought by members realised 9s towards Mrs Armor's Fund.

WHANGAREI.

May 2. Monthly meeting, 20 members present. Mrs Galpin presided. Miss Rowsell, our delegate, reported on Convention meeting at Hamilton. £1 donated to the N.Z. Fund. Delegate urged all members to read our President's address in "W.R." Convention number.

June 6. Nineteen members present. Steps were taken to form a L.T.L., with Mrs W. Goodall as Superintendent, and a committee lady from each church of the town, meetings to be held weekly. Our Union declared its approval of the Peace and Arbitration Proclamation. Five hundred copies of the Education Department's pamphlet were received, and taken for distribution.

June 15. White Ribbon Day was celebrated at the home of Mrs F. Cliff, Princess Street, 30 ladies present. £1 10s 6d collected for Maori Work Fund.

July 4. Nineteen members attended, also Miss Birch, Organising Secretary of Y.W.C.A., bringing greetings. Mrs Goodall reported progress of L.T.L. Arrangements made for T. E. Taylor Day. Twelve dozen prayer cards sold.

WAITARA.

June 16. The President (Mrs Andrews) in the chair. Attendance good. The Rev. W. W. Avery gave an interesting address on women's influence to remove stumbling blocks, and the power of quiet, personal work in the home, etc. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the speaker. Decided to secure a speaker for our meetings, and to invite all the ministers to address the Union at future meetings. Literature Committee reported a fair amount distributed.

PALMERSTON NORTH.

July 7. Fair attendance. Mrs Hodder introduced Mrs Martin, who is acting-President while Mrs Crabb is away. Mrs Martin suitably responded. Letter was read from the Wanganui East Union, asking our Union to give their support to their request to the Minister of Railways that a separate railway carriage for the use of women and children be put on to the New Plymouth-Wellington express. Agreed to unanimously. Mrs Birdsall reported that the stall at the Show in aid of Willard Home had netted £8, and also the pleasing news that the Trustees of the late Mr McCarthy had voted £100 to the Home. Mrs Birdsall also read Mrs Judson's interesting article on Peace and Arbitration.

TIMARU.

June 27. Good attendance of members. Mrs Norrie reported on social afternoon held in connection with the

Cradle Roll on White Ribbon Day; Mrs Webster on her visits to the hospital; and Mrs Low on the entertainment of the sailors. Decided to send £1 to Willard Home in Palmerston North. Arrangements made for raising money for Organising Fund and Dr. Mary Armor campaign. Mrs Norrie and Mrs Irvine appointed to represent Union on committee of the No-License League. Busy month at Rest. Several votes of thanks. Ten new members for month.

ASHBURTON.

June. A good attendance, Mrs G. Miller in the chair. A half-hour was profitably spent in prayer and supplication, led by Mrs Robinson. Report of No-License Council meeting on June 1st received. Decided to order 20 dozen "Pray for Prohibition" cards. Attention was drawn to special article on White Ribbon Day, and to Convention number for distribution. A paper on White Ribbon Day was read by Miss Trevurza, and the sentiments expressed heartily endorsed by Miss Kennedy and others. One name was added to "Scattered Members' League." A collection (15s 9d) taken up for Maori Fund.

July 4. A very successful "Pay-up" social. A record attendance. A very helpful time was spent in prayer for God's blessing on the coming poll, led by Mrs Lill. Decided to arrange a meeting for Miss Baughan next month. Mesdames Lill and Brown were appointed delegates to Christchurch Convention in September. One new member enrolled. An interesting programme was submitted, followed by a cup of tea. Votes of thanks to performers passed.

PLEASANT POINT.

July 5. Fair attendance. Reported that Young People's Temperance Legion had been formed in Pleasant Point and Sutherlands, also one is about to be formed in Totara Valley. Forty-one subscribers had been obtained for "White Ribbon" by Pleasant Point Agent, and eight by Totara Valley Agent. One new member was initiated. Decided to form a "Town Beautifying Committee." A very interesting discussion on Prohibition in America took place.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

June 14. Good attendance. Mrs Knapp (Nelson) and Mrs Hills (Palmerston North) were welcomed. A vote of sympathy passed to Mrs Moore on the death of her husband, who was one of our honorary members. Encouraging reports received from Miss Earnshaw on the work in North Auckland. As it was White Ribbon Day, a collection was taken for Maori work. Mrs Full-james (Maori Supt.) gave a most interesting address, and an excellent paper was read by Mrs Dowling, "W.R." Agent. Decided to ask the "W.R." Editor to print the paper in the "White Ribbon," so that other Unions might

have the benefit of reading it. Delegates to the Temperance Parliament on June 3, and to the National Council of Women reported to the meeting.

KAKARAMEA.

June 21. Meeting to form a W.C.T.U. After the "Initiatory Service," the following officers were elected:— Pres., Mrs Scowan; Sec., Miss A. Carmichael; Treas., Mrs Rodgers; "White Ribbon" Agent, Miss W. Wards; Vice-Pres., Mrs Crosbie and Mrs Long. Mrs Scott then spoke to us on the work of the Union for coming six months. Mrs Crosbie proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to Mrs Scott and Miss Mayo, and meeting closed with Benediction. Membership, 25.

FAIRLIE.

June 7. A special effort for the Maori Fund. Resignation of Miss Isitt was accepted with regret. The Proclamation by Mrs Judson was read by Mrs Norrie, and passed by the meeting. A very interesting article was read by Mrs Norrie, also an address by Mrs Don was read. Tea was handed round, and Miss Cruickshanks sang two songs for us. Collection, 10s.

MATAURA.

June. During the month of April, our Union was called upon to part with one of its members, Mrs Howden, who died suddenly. She was beloved by all who knew her. We miss her greatly. Mrs Don (Dominion President) delivered an able address to a large audience on the subject of "Prohibition in America," dealing also with some of the problems of our Dominion. Musical items were rendered during the evening.

July. As Mrs Donald, our President, is leaving for Gore, Mrs Galt was elected President.

SUMNER.

July 4. An "American Tea." Members were invited to earn some money, and when handing it in, for Union funds, to say how they earned it. Ways were various, from hair-cutting to cleaning up a motor shed. Amount realised thus, £3 4s 11d. The attendance was good. Mrs Mogridge sang a solo, and afternoon tea was dispensed.

WINCHMORE.

June. A very pleasant afternoon was spent in the Winchmore Hall, Mrs Robinson presiding. The function was arranged by members of the Winchmore-Greenstreet Branch W.C.T.U. to honour Miss L. McKay, and took the form of a kitchen gift afternoon. Many and varied were the articles brought, ranging from the aluminium kettle and saucepan to the useful and indispensable potato masher. Musical and elocutionary items were given. Competitions indulged in, a cup of tea was handed round, and the assembly dis-

persed after the singing of "God be with you till we meet again."

LOWER HUTT.

May 17. Special meeting to receive Mrs Hollard's interesting report on Convention. Discussion, afternoon tea, collection.

June 6. President in chair; nine members, one visitor. Confirmation of Peace and Arbitration Department Proclamation. Decided to order one gross prayer cards. Invitation to members to attend Prohibition meeting same evening.

July 4. President in chair, 13 members, one visitor. Deputation from Prohibition League, asking us to undertake a social, to open the ball in this district. Arrangements made for July 25th.

TEMUKA.

June 1. Nurse Cameron presided over good attendance. Decided to open Rest Room on Wednesday and Friday afternoons, as well as Tuesdays and Saturdays. Miss Gladys Hancox was appointed Rest Room Superintendent. A vote of thanks was passed to Mrs Edwards for her donation of £1, also to Ensign Pratt for painting and erecting finger-post at the door of the room. The resolution in connection with the Peace and Arbitration Department passed by Convention was ratified. Mrs Norrie, Timaru, gave a very interesting address on Convention.

July 4. Good attendance, Nurse Cameron presiding. Rest Room Committee, also Trustees, appointed to deal with matters in connection with room. Letter of thanks to be sent to Mr Trumper for wood. Nurse Cameron gave a very interesting and helpful address on "Womanhood."

MASTERTON.

June 22. An "At Home" social. A good attendance. A very interesting and stimulating address was given by the Rev. B. F. Rothwell; also recitation and solos contributed by Mrs Iveson, Miss Bennington, and Miss E. Jones. Afternoon tea was handed round, and a collection taken. Initiation of two new members.

July 6. Mrs Rutter presided, and an interesting discussion took place on various phases of our work. £3 was voted towards the "Mrs Atkinson Memorial Fund," and £2 towards the expenses of Mrs Mary Armor's visit, which is arousing a great deal of interest. £1 was voted to the Willard Children's Home at Palmerston North. Resolved to send for 12 dozen "Pray for Prohibition" cards. At a recent meeting delegate's report of Convention was read; and much enjoyed, and Mrs Judson's Peace and Arbitration Proclamation ratified.

WANGANUI DISTRICT.

July. Suggested that a paper of some educational character be read at

the meetings. Decided to help the No-License League with their forthcoming rally. A superintendent was appointed through the Union for Peace and Arbitration Act, until next election of officers.

PETONE.

July 4. Fair attendance. At the last meeting it was decided to ask the Borough Council for permission to hold meetings at street corners for the spread of Temperance principles. This permission was granted, and a Committee was appointed to arrange the meetings. The two women members of the Petone District High School Committee brought before the notice of the meeting the very urgent necessity of a Rest Room for the women teachers at the school. Decided to send a request to the Education Board that this matter be considered. Decided to give an afternoon in August for Willard Home. Paragraph from "White Ribbon" read asking help for Organising Fund.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

June 15. White Ribbon Day celebrated. A good attendance of members, honorary members, and ministers of the district. Mrs Evans, M.A., spoke on the "White Ribbon," and gave reasons why all should subscribe to it, eulogising Mrs Peryman for the trouble she took in securing educative reading. Peace and Arbitration were also spoken of, after which Rev. E. Drake bespoke the sympathy of the members for the "League of Nations Union," which all were asked to join. One new member was initiated, and six new subscribers were gained for the "White Ribbon." Two songs were rendered by Mrs Fauvel, and recitations by Mesdames Keene and Miller.

OXFORD.

June 7. Motions of sympathy passed with several sick members and pleasure expressed at President's recovery from recent illness. Decided to hold fortnightly cottage prayer meetings until the election. Miss Gainsford elected to represent Union at meetings of Prohibition Council. One new member initiated. Pastor Robertson addressed the meeting on the urgency of constant prayer. A hearty vote of thanks passed, and expressions of welcome tendered to Pastor Robertson and his wife. A collection was taken up for the Maori Fund.

INVERCARGILL DISTRICT.

June. Secretary reported visits paid to Riversdale and Wendon, where temperance committees were appointed, and W.C.T.U. members enrolled, and to Gore, which consented to entertain District Convention. A new Union at Invercargill North. Officers: Pres. Mrs Hopkirk; Sec., Mrs Kennedy; Treas., Miss Hardie; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Colbe, J. A. Hanan, Inglis,

and Cruickshank. Two new members initiated. Reports of National Convention read, and delegates appointed for District Convention. £10 voted to Mary Armor Fund, and £2 2s to N. Invercargill Union. Decided to offer to defray expenses of delegates to Convention from Bluff, Riverton, Otautau, Orepuki, and Ryal Bush. Union's deep sympathy expressed with our President, Mrs Lillcrap, in the loss of her husband, who had always been a valued helper in temperance cause.

MANAIA.

June 13. Good attendance. Mesdames Bennett and Petch appointed delegates to Provincial Convention. Four new names added to Cradle Roll. Letter of thanks for use of shop sent to Miss Summers, and one of appreciation to Mrs Patterson. An address by Mr Marr on "Drink, the Devil's Best Friend," for which he received a hearty vote of thanks.

WAIPUKURAU.

May. Mrs Venables spoke upon the coming poll and the need for a fighting fund. Decided to hold a shop to raise funds.

June 2. Most successful shop held, the response to canvassers being most generous. Several new members were gained, and all were much encouraged.

June 9. Decided to form a Band of Hope, and two members appointed to arrange for same. Members promised to provide refreshments for first meeting.

CHRISTCHURCH DISTRICT.

June 14. White Ribbon Day celebrated. Miss Henderson presided, Mrs Taylor having fallen and broken her wrist as she was starting for the meeting. In reply to request for street collection for Dr. Barnardo's Homes, decided that all energies be spent in working for the poll this year. In response to requests, Mrs W. J. Williams to speak at Addington Band of Hope, and Mrs McKee at Durham Street Ladies' Guild. Decided to send resolution to the Christchurch Hospital and Charitable Aid Board heartily supporting the Board's efforts in trying to get legislation on the question of persistent defaulters in maintenance cases, and wishing the Board every success in its endeavours. Miss Henderson spoke briefly upon the "White Ribbon," and the great importance of all members taking it and circulating it as much as possible. Afternoon tea. Collection in aid of Maori Fund. Vote of sympathy to Mrs Taylor.

RICCARTON.

June 15. A well attended meeting, under auspices of Christchurch W.C.T.U., held at Riccarton. Miss Henderson gave a very interesting address explaining aims and objects of the Union, and emphasised the necessity of

spreading its activities. A branch was formed, with a membership of 15. Mrs C. Barrell, Pres.; Mrs Newth, Sec.; Mrs Musgrave, Treas. Decided to hold first meeting on second Thursday in July.

GISBORNE.

June 27. White Ribbon Day. Only a small attendance. Local agent mentioned her endeavours to get our "White Ribbon" into the local book-sellers, with some success. Decided to take the Old Red Cross for a Saturday later on, and have a sale to get in some funds for the coming campaign. Afternoon tea was served, and a collection taken up for Maori Fund.

PLEASANT POINT.

June 7. Eighteen ladies present. The "White Ribbon" Agent reported six new subscribers. Reported that all arrangements had been made to start a L.T.L. in the township, to meet every alternate Tuesday evening. Arrangements are being made to form two others in the country districts. Decided to divide the district into sections for the purpose of distributing literature and working for the coming poll.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

June 28. Pay-up social. Large attendance. Rev. R. B. S. Hammond, of Sydney, gave a soul-stirring address, and urged upon all present to make the supreme sacrifice, both in time and money, and with God's help to do the impossible in order to gain Prohibition. A vote of sympathy was passed to the family of the late Mrs Davies, one of our pioneer members. A comprehensive report of the Hostel was given by Mrs Taylor. A programme of songs and recitation, and afternoon tea, brought a pleasant social time to a close.

HAWERA.

June 29. Special meeting to welcome the 83 new members who joined our Union during Miss Mayo's visit. An initiatory service was held. A hearty welcome to Mrs Boucher, transferred from Greytown. Decided to forward copies of the following resolution to the member for the district, and also to the Minister of Railways:—"As it has been brought under the notice of this Union that mothers with children are subjected to much inconvenience when travelling on the New Plymouth-Wellington railway line, it is decided that an appeal be made to the Minister of Railways, asking him to place a separate carriage on the mail trains for the exclusive use of mothers and children, as is provided on the Main Trunk line." The members agreed to raise money and collect new or second-hand clothing for the Willard Children's Home at Palmerston North. Resolved that all candidates standing for Parliament at the coming election be asked the five questions sent by the N.Z. So-

ciety for the Protection of Women and Children. Votes of sympathy were passed to Mrs Williamson and Mrs H. B. Gray. Vote of thanks was passed to Hon. Parr for the firm stand which he took when the Moderate League protested against Report No. 13. Mrs J. S. Young was appointed Vice-President.

NGAERE.

May 23. Our Organiser (Miss Mayo) has visited our district, and secured many new members. A most successful American Tea was held at Mrs K. Tarrant's, proceeds going to Organising Fund. New members were initiated, and opportunity was taken to wish Mrs W. A. Brown God-speed to her new home at Waverley. Mrs Brown has been a most enthusiastic member of our Union, and general regret was expressed at her departure.

June 23. Home meeting at Mrs Gilliver's, Bird Road. Our President and Recording Secretary attended, and an excellent paper was read, entitled "The W.C.T.U.: Its Aims and Objects" (by Miss Powell). Several new members were initiated.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL.

May 21. Miss Kirk occupied the chair. Letters and resolutions were read and discussed from Palmerston and Wanganui Unions, also from National Council of Women. Mrs Port, Agent for "White Ribbon," gave the report. Sister Maud Coleman, who is leaving for England, gave a short address, and was farewelled by the members. Decided our next meeting take the form of a social afternoon.

SAWYER'S BAY.

June 27. Poor attendance, owing to very bad weather. Mr Stephens, District Organiser for Prohibition Campaign, spoke on the need of organising and canvassing our district for votes, and distributing literature. Committee formed for same. Details left over till next meeting. Two dozen "Pray for Prohibition" cards sent for. The Proclamation passed by Conference in connection with Peace and Arbitration Department was confirmed by our Union at May meeting. Solo by Mrs Hudson. Decided to hold next meeting as Willard Day.

LEIGH.

June 6. Good attendance. Miss Earnshaw addressed the meeting, and spoke of the work done by the W.C.T.U. and of Prohibition conditions in America. Miss Earnshaw is a very brilliant and forceful speaker, and kept her audience deeply interested from start to finish, and was accorded a very hearty vote of thanks. Misses Isabelle and Ella Matheson and Mrs Gozer gave items. Afternoon tea brought a most edifying and enjoyable afternoon to a close.

June 22. A "Kitchen Tea" in honour of Miss A. Matheson, one of our members, who is to be married shortly. A

large gathering, and Miss Matheson received a large collection of valuable and useful presents, which, after a very nice musical programme, were opened. Afternoon tea was handed around. "Till we meet again" was sung by all before dispersing.

June 29. Fair attendance. Decided to take up a collection for Willard Home, Palmerston North. Decided to ask the ladies of Pakiri to link up with the Leigh Union, as there is no Union in Pakiri. Resolution passed that the Union fall in with the Peace and Arbitration movement.

LOWER HUTT.

July 5. Mrs Ballantyne presided, 17 present. Revs. Rowe and Cairns, a delegation from local League, waited upon us and asked our help in working up a big social under the auspices of the W.C.T.U., inviting all denominations to join and work for our great Prohibition cause.

GREYTOWN.

June 27. Mrs Costain (President) occupied the chair. Resolved: "That the Secretary procure Prohibition Prayer Cards, these to be bought by members and distributed." Decided that £1 11s 6d, collected for Mary Armor Fund, be forwarded by Treasurer. Ways and means of raising money for Organising Fund were discussed. Resolved that a social be held in August, Secretary to ascertain when schoolroom would be available. Advertising left over until next meeting. Afternoon tea was dispensed.

Y's Column.

INVERCARGILL.

June 5. Letters of thanks were read from Mrs Lilliecap and Mrs Young. Rev. J. L. Robinson addressed the meeting on "Womanhood," and was listened to with pleasure. What most women do for the community in which they live was wonderfully dealt with. Hearty votes of thanks were accorded Mr Robinson, after which supper was enjoyed by all. An initiative service was held for the new members.

June 26. White Ribbon Day. An apology was received from the Secretary, who was out of town. A letter from Mr Byer, Melbourne, was read, asking for assistance for the blind in heathen lands. More Prohibition cards were distributed, and members urged to pay up their subscriptions as soon as possible. Decided to hold a Jumble Sale in August. A collection in aid of the Maori Fund was taken up, after which a paper was read dealing with the White Ribbon ideals. Supper was then served.

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OXFORD.

March 11. Twelve members present. Committee formed for the first Band of Hope, to be held in May.

April 29. President presided. Decided to write to Nurse Maude to inquire what garments were most needed in her work. Miss Gilmour gave an interesting report of Convention, for which she was heartily thanked. Decided to send 10s 6d to N.Z. Fund.

May 27. Good attendance. Decided to hold our meetings in the Methodist Church. Miss Campbell appointed organist. A letter of thanks to be sent to our Senior Union for their donation of £5 for assisting at the Oxford Show. Resolution of sympathy with Mrs Hawke and Miss Newport.

WELLINGTON.

June 15. Monthly social. Mrs Miller presided, and a very pleasant evening was spent in games, musical items, and a recitation competition, the prize for the latter being won by Miss Winnie Samson. The following contributed to the programme: Mrs Miller and Mrs Mowlen, solos. Three new members initiated. Mrs Johnson Wright gave us some words of advice and encouragement for the days to come. Misses K. Gray and P. Lloyd dispensed supper.

L.T.L. Column.

HAMPSTEAD BAND OF HOPE.

June 9. Edna Thompson presided. Mr Horrell gave a temperance address. Several new members enrolled. Recitations by D. Keen, T. Porter, M. Ching, A. Keen, M. Gourley, J. Williamson, M. Thompson, I. E. Alexander; pianoforte solos, L. Williamson and J. Patterson; songs, R. Lamb, M. Alexander, M. Thompson. Trios, duets and dialogues completed a fine programme.

WINCHMORE-GREEN STREET BAND OF HOPE.

June 4. School filled, despite inclement weather. Sister Mildred and several members of Methodist Band of Hope submitted a splendid programme to an appreciative audience. Rev. Vealie gave a fine address on Prohibition. Items were contributed. Songs, O. Watt, G. Robinson, R. Lamb, T. Brown; recitations, D. Fowke, L. Robinson, and T. Brown; pianoforte solo, duet, vocal duets, excellent dialogues, several choruses sweetly rendered, made up a splendid programme. Nine new members. Votes of thanks to speaker, performers, and friends, who had motored the party out. Supper handed round.

SAWYER'S BAY L.T.L.

May 5. Third meeting of the year. Mr Adcock presided over a large attend-

ance. Mr Falconer spoke to the children, urging them to try and live up to their L.T.L. and Band of Mercy pledges. A hearty vote of thanks was given to Mr Falconer. Short programme was rendered by the following:—Recitations, Miss Glanville, Miss J. Heyburn; song, Miss Gladys Grey.

June 2. A large attendance. Mr Hudson presided. Mr Finley gave an instructive and inspiring address to the children, pointing out the consequences of disobedience, and urging them to try and form good habits, and build up strong, good characters. A very hearty vote of thanks was given to Mr Finley. A short programme by the following:—Recitations, Mrs Pratley, Miss Glanville, Miss Doris Broadley; song, Miss Hazel Wallace. Two prizes to be given for the best essays on the address given at our next meeting. August meeting to be a musical evening. Parents and friends invited.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The following donations have been received since the date of last report:—

New Zealand Fund.

New Brighton, £4; North-East Valley, £2; Masterton, Petone, and Waipukurau, £1 each; Mrs Neal and Adjutant Gordon, 5s each. Total, £9 10s.

Memorial Headquarters Fund.

North-East Valley and New Brighton, £10 each; Masterton, £3; Mrs Macdonald (West Australia), £1. Total, £24.

"Mary Armor" Fund.

Dunedin, £56; Invercargill, New Brighton, and North-East Valley, £10 each; Masterton, £2. Total, £88.

Organising Fund.

Dunedin, £52; Masterton, £1 5s; Ngaere, £1 1s; Hawera, £1; Ryal Bush, 10s; C. York. (Tauranga), 5s. Total, £56 1s.

Maori Fund.

New Plymouth, £3; Timaru, £1 12s 6d; Whangarei, £1 10s; Te Kuiti, £1 1s; Waimate and Waipukurau, £1 each; Ashburton, 15s 9d; Stratford, 14s 6d; Dannevirke, Greymouth, and Wanganui East, 11s 6d each; Cambridge, 5s 2d; Gisborne, 5s. Total, £12 18s 5d.

NELLIE BENDELY,

N.Z. Treasurer.

Auckland, 10th July, 1922.

WITH OUR ORGANISERS.

MISS MAYO'S REPORT.

At the close of the Annual Convention, held in Hamilton, work was commenced in Taranaki District. Stratford was visited first. Four days were spent there, and 21 new members gained. On the 8th April I arrived in New Plymouth. Altogether 77 new members were gained for this Union, and a number of "White Ribbons" distributed. Next Waitara was visited. This Union had just been organised a few months before, and was working under great difficulties. New officers were secured to fill the positions of Secretary, Treasurer, W.R. Agent, and Press Reporter. Thirty-six new members were gained, and this Union has now a membership of 54, and is doing splendid work.

Thirty-four new members were gained for Ngaere Union, and as some of these members live a distance of five to six miles away, some of the former members of the Union decided to arrange "Home Meetings," to be held in different homes in this district.

On leaving Ngaere, I went to Inglewood. A very strong branch of Union was organised there, with a membership of 54.

Hawera was then visited, and while in this town I was asked to speak to the girls of the Girls' Club. About 20 of the girls joined our Union. I was invited to attend their club night the following Monday, and spent a very jolly evening with the girls. Altogether 88 new members were secured in Hawera.

Kakarama was the next place to be visited, and a Union organised, with a membership of 25. This Union undertook to work Alton and Manatahi, country districts about five miles distant. A week was spent in Patea, with the result that a Union, with a membership of 27, was organised. Waverley was the next place to be visited, but before working this district I attended Taranaki Provincial Convention, held in New Plymouth. It was most interesting to meet members of various Unions where I had visited and hear the reports, also to note progress made.

Altogether, 362 new members have been gained in Taranaki District.

ONE OF OUR ORGANISERS.

(By Mrs Scott, Hawera's President.)

I wish to write a few lines to show our appreciation of Miss Mayo and the splendid work she has done and is still doing in this district.

During the last three months, viz., April, May, and June, Miss Mayo has secured 362 members. How she does it I don't know, for many of those have been approached by local workers without effect. She certainly has a "way with her" that wins. I attribute a great deal of her success to her faith. As an instance, whilst working here, she would sometimes say to me, "I get ten new ones this morning," and as a rule she was as good as her word.

With young girls she is simply splendid. I had a meeting of our "Club" girls here one afternoon, and she secured every one over sixteen, and before they left they were all her friends.

We went to their club meeting a few nights later, and she secured more pledges, and what was perhaps more to the point, their confidence and liking. Altogether, I think there are about 20 girls wearing, and proud to wear, our little white bow.

Since leaving Hawera, Miss Mayo secured 25 pledges in Kakarama, and 27 in Patea. I follow up, and form the Unions. Waverley is to be formed next Tuesday.

I sincerely hope Miss Mayo will be kept strictly at this work till the poll, as I am quite sure her work will help to secure the big majority we are expecting.

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WEST AUSTRALIAN VISITOR.

Mrs Macdonald, from West Australia, who toured our Dominion a short time ago, and who on the very day of her arrival at home was made President of the Perth Branch of the Women's Service Guild, has written to our Dominion President, Mrs Don. From the letter we cull the following extract:—

"I am enclosing a note for £1 toward the Atkinson Memorial in Wellington, because I do think it is much needed there. I think that I told you that Wellington was the one place throughout New Zealand where it was really

difficult to get into touch with the W.C.T.U. women. I therefore send my small gift to help hasten on the work, also as a thankoffering to God for the happy time I spent in Wellington, and in fact all through your wonderful land. I only wish that it were £20 instead of one."

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AUCKLAND Y's, 1st, Tuesday, 7.30 p.m.; Headquarters, Wellesley Chambers, Pres., Mr L. Foster, Upland Road, Remuera; Rec. Sec., Miss A. Pudney, 16 Wallace St., Herne Bay; Cor. Sec., Miss Hughes, Manukau Rd., Newmarket; Treas., Miss I. Ramsey, 26 Gordon Rd., Morningside; Supt., Miss Morton, Woodley Avenue, Remuera.

ARAMOHO, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs D. Hallam, 252 Somme Parade; Vice-Pres., Mrs Dudley; Rec. Sec., Mrs Sharpe, Roberts Avenue; Cor. Sec., Mrs A. Gilmour, Paterson St.; Treas., Mrs Geo. Sleight; "W.R." Agent, Miss W. Gilmour, Paterson St.

AVONDALE, 3rd Tuesday, 2 p.m., Brown Street, Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. Beath; Rec. Sec., Mrs Strang; Treas., Mrs. Viggers; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Russell.

ASHBURTON, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baring Square, Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs G. Miller, Havelock St. W.; Joint Secs., Mrs J. Thompson, Wakanui Rd., and Miss Treverza, 169 Peter St.; Treas., Mrs H. Ibbotson, Tancred St. E.; "W.R." Agent, Miss Butterick, Wakanui.

BLENHEIM District, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. in Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs Brierly, The Manse, Renwick; Sec., Miss C. L. Jackson, Springlands; Treas., Mrs T. Pike; Literature, Mrs Wass; Rest and Refreshment, Messrs W. B. Parker and A. W. Jackson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Parker, 77 Grove Road.

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toria St.; Rec. Sec., Miss Braithwaite, Clifton Avenue; Treas., Mrs. August Anderson, High St.; Evangelical Supt., Mrs Tyler; Cradle Roll, Mrs Moore; W.R. Agent, Miss Watterson.

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CHRISTCHURCH, W.C.T.U. Rooms, 247 Manchester St., opp. His Majesty's Theatre, 2nd and 4th Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m. Prayer Meeting on the 3rd Wednesday at 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. T. E. Taylor, Cashmere Hills; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Ruth Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Albans; Rec. Sec., Miss Bishop, 22 Bealey St.; Treas., Miss M. B. Lovell-Smith, Box 114; Assistant-Treas., Miss Gordon, Holly Lea, Manchester St.; "W.R." Supt., Mrs Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Albans.

DANNEVIRKE, 2nd Thursday, Methodist Church, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs D. G. Speedy, Victoria Av.; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Richards and Hutchinson and Miss Heaton; Sec., Miss Heaton, Cadman Road; Treas., Miss Burdett, The Manse; "W.R." Agent, Mrs McPhee, Princess Street.

DUNEDIN District, 1st Tuesday, Hanover Street Baptist Church Sunday Schoolroom, 3 p.m.; Pres., Mrs. Hiett, 264 George Street; Rec. Sec., Miss Powell, 30 Driver's Road, Maori Hill; Treas., Mrs. Allan, 14 Maitland Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs Macartney, 27 Mailer Street, Mornington; Parl. Cor., Mrs. Downing, Anderson's Bay; Press Cor. and Supt. W.R., Mrs. Mathewson, 538 Castle Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Marcella; Maori Work, Mrs. Romeril; Evangelistic, Mrs. Pennett.

DEVONPORT, 2nd Thursday, Congregational Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Burnett, Ublee Avenue; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Elliott and Mrs. Armitage; Sec., Mrs. Treverza, Cra-

croft Street; Treas., Mrs. Hay, Tainui Road; W.R. Supt., Mrs Johnson, Albert Road; Supt. Cradle Roll, Mrs Sheppard. **EDEN**, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom, Dominion Rd. Pres., Miss Wilson, Wilford Rd., Mt. Eden; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Scanlan, 2 Mars Avenue, Edendale N.; Rec. Sec., Mrs H. Mason; Treas., Mrs Cartwright, Huia Villa, Dominion Rd.; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Hudson, Richmond Rd., Mt. Eden.

Edendale (Southland).—1st Thursday at 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs John Pringle, The Manse; Secretary, Miss H. Hall; Treas., Miss Cranstoun; W.R. Agent, Mrs Horace Niven.

FIELDING, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., St. Paul's Hall. Pres., Mrs Whitmarsh, 8 Queen St.; Sec., Mrs Pearce, 142 Manchester Street; Treas., Mrs McIntyre, Ranfurly Rd.; "W.R." Agent, Miss Svendsen, East Street; Press Reporter, Mrs Tremain; Evangelistic, Mrs Emmerson; Cradle Roll, Mrs Mal.

GORE, 4th Tuesday, 3 p.m., Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs Rhodes, Halton Street; Treas. and Sec., Miss E. M. MacGibbon; Vice-Pres., Mesdames E. C. Smith and Liddell; Cradle Roll, Mrs E. C. Smith; "White Ribbon" Agent, Mrs T. Stevenson; Purity Dept., Mrs Liddell.

GREYMOUTH District, Business only last Tuesday, Prayer Meeting, 2nd Tuesday in Sailors' Rest Hall. Sec., Mrs Mason, Cobden; Treas., Mrs Wilson, Cowper St.; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Reynolds, Karora; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Gaskin and James.

GREYTOWN, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Sunday School. Pres., Mrs Costain; Vice-Pres., Mrs R. Anker; Sec., Miss Oates, Wood St.; Treas., Mrs A. Haigh; "W.R." Agent, Miss McWhinney.

GISBORNE District, last Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Go'e Ormond Rd.; Sec., Mrs. F. J. Wilkes, 466 Gladstone Road; Treas., Mrs. Reynolds, 183 Gladstone Road.

HAWERA, last Thursday, at 3 p.m., in the Methodist Bible Class Room. Pres., Mrs. Scott; Vice-Pres., Mrs. McGregor and Mrs. Hill; Sec., Miss Bischoff; Treas., Mrs. Tait; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Hill.

HAMILTON EAST, 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. E. Watkins, 131 Grey St.; Sec., Mrs. E. T. Olds, Fifth St.; Treas., Mrs. G. Jack, McFarlane St.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. R. Mears, 176 Grey St.; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Dey, Albert St.

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HENDERSON, 3rd Wednesday, Presbyterian and Methodist Churches alternately, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Attwood; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Platt and Miss Duncan; Treas., Mrs. Barton; Rec. Sec., Mrs. McKay; Cor. Sec., Mrs. W. Williams; "W.R." Agent, Miss K. Duncan; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. Fenney, Waahi Hamlet.

HAMILTON District, 1st Thursday, Wesley Class Rooms, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Blamires; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Morton, Jones, and Dillicar; Sec., Mrs. Denzem; Treas., Mrs. Cliff; "W.R." Supt., Mrs. Parsonson.

INVERCARGILL District, 1st Tuesday, 3 p.m. in Y.M.C.A. Rooms. Pres., Mrs. F. Lillierap, 75 Earn St; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Baird, Carlisle, and Mackenzie; Cor. Sec., Miss Dewar, Newcastle Street; Rec. Sec., Miss H. L. Birss; Treas. and "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Matheson; Supt. Notable Days, Mrs. Hopkirk.

INVERCARGILL SOUTH meets every 2nd Tuesday in St. Peter's Methodist Schoolroom, Elles Road, Enwood, at 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. Pasley; Vice-Pres., Mesdames McGregor, Fitzgerald, Robb, Smart, Sharpe, and Aitken; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Piper; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Crozier, 44 Pomona Road; Treas., Mrs. McGregor; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Latham.

KAIAPOI W.C.T.U. ASSEMBLY ROOMS, Union meets last Wednesday in month, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Scott, Parsonage; Sec., Mrs. Stewart, Raven Street; Treas., Mrs. T. G. Blackwell; "W.R." Supt., Mrs. Stanton, North Road.

LOWER HUTT, 1st Tuesday, Church of Christ, Queen St., at 2.45 p.m.; Pres., Mrs. Ballantyne, Belmont Rd.; Sec., Mrs. R. Aldersley, Brunswick St.; Treas., Mrs. Balgent, King's Rd.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Heyes, Brunswick St.; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Aldersley, Camp Road.

MANAIA, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. J. J. Patterson; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Gilbert and Smith; Sec., Mrs. C. Hansen; Treas., Miss D. Patterson; "W.R." Agent, Miss Patterson; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Sandford, Manaia Road.

MASTERTON, 1st Thursday, Knox Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Rutter; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Black; Cor. Sec., Miss Wingate; Treas., Mrs. Jamison; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Ross.

MORRINSVILLE meets 2nd Thursday in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs. Richards, The Manse, Allen St.; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Willis, Allen Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Johnstone, Hamilton Road.

NGARUAWAHIA, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. A. Walkinson; Sec., Mrs. J. S. Colhoun; Treas., Mrs. C. Rogers; Supt. "W.R." Miss E. Walkinson.

NAPIER District, 1st Thursday, in Willard Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. G. W. Venables, Ashridge Rd.; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Dodds, Leask, and McAllister; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Field; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Hill; Treas., Mrs. Grayling, Wellesley Road; Evangelistic, Mrs. Dodds; Hospital Visitors, Mesdames J. Walker and W. Findlay; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Walker; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Mens.

NELSON District, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist School Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Miss Atkinson, Brougham Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Brown, Weka Street; Treas., Miss Cooke; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. C. Wilkinson, Grove Street.

NEW BRIGHTON, 3rd Thursday in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Cole, North Brighton; Sec., Mrs. Moses, Lonsdale Street; Treas., Mrs. Gibson, Union Street; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs. Hall, 36 Wainui Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Whitley, Waverley Street, N.B.

NORMANBY, 2nd Wednesday, 2 p.m., Social Hall. Pres., Mrs. Scott, Rural Delivery, Hawera; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Bevan and Mrs. Clement; Secretary, Mrs. Chapman; Treasurer, Mrs. Linn; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Clement; "W.R." Mrs. Gane.

NORTH EAST VALLEY, 4th Thursday 2.45 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Pres., Mrs. Peart, 4 Pine Hill Ter.; Sec., Miss M. Begg, 45 Selwyn Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Sanders, 43 Frame St.; "W.R." Supt., Miss M. Prattley, 131 Main Road.

NEW PLYMOUTH District, last Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Whiteley Hall. Pres., Mrs. Griffin, Gilbert Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Jemison, Pendarves Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Dixon, Carrington, Vogelstown; Treas. and "W.R." Agent, Miss Taunt, Carrington Rd.

ORMONDVILLE, 2nd Thursday, at 2.30 p.m. in the Anglican Schoolroom. Pres., Miss Alice Webb; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Small; Sec., Mrs. Wilson; Treas., Mrs. E. Hosking; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Newling.

OPOTIKI, 2nd Friday, St. John's Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Jas. Thompson; Sec., Mrs. J. Gordon; Treas., Mrs. Holman; "W.R." Mrs. J. Downey; Supt. Cradle Roll, Mrs. Appleton.

OTAHUHU, meets 1st Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Hosking, Station Rd.; Sec. and "W.R." Agent, Mrs. West, Panmure Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Hunter, Church St.

OXFORD, first Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs. D. Hawke, Main Street; Sec., Mrs. R. Comyns; Assist. Sec., Mrs. C. W. Tritt; Treas., Miss Caverhill; "W.R." Mrs. T. Gainsford; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Gainsford, Senr., and Mrs. Roy; Evan., Miss N. Gainsford; Flower Mission, Mrs. Cooper; Home Meetings, Mesdames J. Clark, Munn, and G. Ryde; Notable Days, Mrs. L. Watson.

OAMARU, 2nd Monday, at Baptist Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Steenson; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Hall and Scott and Misses Wilson and M. Milligan; Rec. Sec., Miss J. C. Smyth, Hull St.; Treas., Miss Day, Tees St.; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Corlett, Eden Street.

PALMERSTON N. District, 1st and 3rd Friday, St. Andrew's Schoolroom, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Crabb, 128 College St. W.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Collins, Amesbury St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Hodder, Allan St.; Treas., Miss Hodder, Alton St.; "W.R." Supt., Mrs. McConnon, 214 Featherston St.

PETONE, 1st Tuesday, Church of Christ, Sydney Street, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Ashby, Udy Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Rowse, McEwan, Johnston, J. Collins, and Corner; Sec., Miss M. Avison, 69 Fitzherbert Street; Assist. Sec., Mrs. Collins; Treas., Mrs. Donoghue; "W.R." Agent, Miss Knott, 33 Nelson St.

PICTON, second Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Church of England, Presbyterian, and Methodist Schoolrooms, alternately. Pres., Mrs. Jardine, The Manse; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Millen and Brewer; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Tobell, Devon Street; Supt. Cradle Roll, Mrs. Brewer; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. E. Wells, Milton Terrace.

RICHMOND (Nelson), 2nd Wednesday, 3 p.m., Baptist Church. Pres., Mrs. O. Sutton, Hill Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames S. Haycock, Fittall, and J. Price; Sec., Mrs. Crabtree, Gladstone Road; Treas., Mrs. Cropp, Salisbury Road; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Fittall, Salisbury Road.

PLEASANT POINT, meets 1st Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Miss Bishop; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Falconer, Halstead, Stephens, Saunders, and Miss Seaton; Sec., Mrs. J. T. Gunn; Treas., Miss Violet Saunders; "W.R." Agent, Miss Amy Neilson.

RAKAI meets on the 2nd Thursday in St. Andrew's Schoolroom. Mrs. Boag, Pres.; Mrs. Judkins, Treas.; Mrs. Field, Sec.

STRATFORD, 4th Friday, 3 p.m., Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs. M. T. Phillips, Brecon Rd.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Madill and Mrs. Foster; Sec., Mrs. D. McCallum, Miranda St.; Treas., Mrs. W. Abraham, Hamlet St.; "W.R." Supt., Mrs. Jago, Olivia St.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Hann.

TAKAPUNA, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m. Takapuna Methodist and Milford Baptist, alternately. Pres., Mrs. Penning, East Coast Rd.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Veats, Hurstmere Rd.; Sec., Miss Rushbrook, Kitchener Rd.; Treas., "W.R." Supt., Mrs. Rugg, Hudstmere Road, Mrs. Veats; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Winstone.

TE KUITI meets 2nd Tuesday in month, at 2.30 p.m., in Presbyterian Vestry. Pres., Mrs. Edgar, Waiheke Rd.; Sec., Mrs. Crawford Boles, Awakino Rd.; Treas., Mrs. Nicholls; Agent "W.R." Mrs. E. H. Hardy, Awakino Rd.

SAWYER'S BAY, 4th Tuesday in Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. L. Cleghorn; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Wallis; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Hudson; Treas., Mrs. Findlay; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. J. Perry; Supts. Cradle Roll, Mrs. Cook and Miss Andrews.

TIMARU District, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Sallor's Rest. Pres., Mrs. Norrie; Sec., Mrs. M. Minifie, 12 Roslyn Ter.; Treas., Miss Pearson, Turnbull St.; Cradle Roll, Mrs. King, Bank St.; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Cave, Raymond Street.

WAIMATE, 2nd Wednesday, in Knox Church Hall, at 3 o'clock. Pres., Mrs. G. Dash, Naylor St.; Sec., Mrs. R. Smith Edward St.; Treas., Mrs. S. J. Hitchens, "Te Rangitiki" Mill Rd.; "W.R." Supt., Mrs. G. H. Graham, Rhodes St.

WAIPAWA, 4th Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. Hugh McLean, Waverley Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Neal, Robertson, and Bott; Sec., Mrs. James Bibby, Rose Street; Treas., Miss Johnson, Rose Street; "W.R." Supt., Miss Bibby.

WANGANUI District, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs. Emmett, Spier St.; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Upton, 165 Victoria Av.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Reed, Nelson Street; Treasurer, Mrs. Heatley, Carlton Avenue, Gonville; "W.R." Supt., Mrs. J. Grant, 136 Glasgow Street.

WANGANUI EAST meets 2nd Thursday at 2.30 p.m. in Anglican Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Duxfield, "Okola," Wanganui E.; Vice-President, Mrs. J. Black; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Andrew; Mackay St.; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Dowsett, Nixon St.; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Melvin, Young St.

WILKINGTON—1st Tuesday, 2.45 p.m. in Baptist Church. Pres., Mrs. Galpin; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Lambert, Lochore, Lovatt; Sec., Miss Rowsell; Asst. Sec., Miss Hillford; Treas., Mrs. R. Gibson; W.R. Supt., Mrs. J. McKinnon; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. C. R. Lovatt; Maori Work Supt, Miss Dreadon; Press Reporter, Mrs. Lovatt.

WINCHMORE, 2nd Wednesday, alternately at Greenstreet and Winchmore. Pres., Mrs. Robinson; Sec., Miss McKay, "Dabness"; Treas. and "W.R." Agent, Mrs. W. Bennett, Winchmore.

WELLINGTON District, 1st Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Rooms, Constable Street. Pres., Mrs. Wright, 127, Constable St.; Sec., Mrs. Webb, 37 Hall St.; Treas., Mrs. Boxall, 40 Pirlie Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Mowlem, 52 Russell Terrace. Y. Branch Rooms, alternate Thursdays, at 8 p.m.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL, 3rd Wednesday, 3 p.m., Y.M.C.A. Rooms, Willis St. Pres., Miss Kirk, Wadestown; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Caughley, Hughes, Macdonald, and Permmington; Cor. Sec., Miss C. Kirk, Main Road, Wadestown; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Clark, 18 Sussex Square; Treas., Mrs. Helyer, Oriental Bay; "W.R." Supt., Mrs. Port, Austin Street.

WAIPIKURAU, 2nd Friday, St. Andrew's Hall, 3 p.m. Pres., Nurse Murphy; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Harding, Sowry, and Murphy; Sec., Mrs. Reid; Treas., Mrs. Robinson; Evangelistic, Mrs. Stace.

WOODVILLE meets last Tuesday, at 2.30 p.m., in Forrester's Hall. Pres., Mrs. Shearman, Ormond St.; Vice-Pres., Mrs. T. Jackson; Sec., Mrs. H. Mills, Gorge Road; Treas., Miss Fastler; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Forrest.

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